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Partial Acceptance of Japanese Demands, Report

TENSION IN INDO-CHINA CONSIDERABLY EASED

(SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH")

UNCONFIRMED REPORTS IN CHINESE CIRCLES LAST NIGHT CLAIM THAT THE FRENCH INDO CHINA AUTHORITIES HAVE AGREED TO PARTIALLY ACCEPT THE JAPANESE DEMANDS.

No confirmation of this report is available. The report does not state which of the Japanese demands have been accepted, or whether Japan will be satisfied with partial acceptance.

Nevertheless, private messages received in Hongkong late last night from trustworthy sources state that tension has considerably eased in the French Colony.

The Japanese demands, according to one report, were for aerial, military and naval bases in French Indo China, use of the Haiphong railway for the transportation of Japanese forces and materials to the interior and economic collaboration between Indo China and Japan.

Rome Fears Bombs

ROME, Aug. (UP).—Authoritative Italian circles, in answer to the reports here that British newspapers are advocating the bombing of Rome, to-day stated that Rome's anti-aircraft defends are being steadily strengthened.

It was added that although Rome is not officially an open city, since the Government is situated there, it cannot, nevertheless, be considered a military objective.

EVACUEES THRILLED BY THEIR FIRST SIGHT OF AUSTRALIA IN SUNSHINE

BY THE "TELEGRAPH" SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE WITH THE HONGKONG EVACUEES

BRISBANE, Aug. 9.—In typical Australian weather of clear blue sky and brilliant sunshine—indicative, in fact, of an early spring—593 Hongkong evacuees crowded the rails of their palatial 17,000-ton Dutch liner on Friday to catch their first glimpse of the land which is to be their temporary home.

Captain Cook, who sailed along the same route in 1776 to discover and claim for Britain the land of the south, could not have been more excited.

First a shimmering haze that resolved itself into brilliant white beaches backed by stunted white-barked ti-tree and blue gums.

Then, inside the Great Barrier reef, the ship moved swiftly down the coast towards the first port of disembarkation—Brisbane, capital of Queensland.

Varied Impressions

Impressions varied as we first sighted land. Said one mother to her son: "There aren't many people about"—the population of North Queensland is less than one person to the square mile—while another declared: "How clean it all looks, and what white sand."

Then, at dawn this morning, Moreton Bay and the trip up the narrow reaches of the Brisbane River, mud flats until the bend at New Farm is reached and then, with a suddenness that brought exclamations from the passengers, the picturesque red roofed houses in the inner suburbs and the city itself.

The Dutch liner berthed right in the city, through which the Brisbane River flows. For 23 of the passengers aboard, this marked the end of what has for all been a perfect trip in ideal conditions.

Upon embarkation in Manila twelve days ago many of the evacuees were suffering from skin and stomach complaints, but a marked improvement was seen as all responded to the excellent food and medical care which they enjoyed aboard the Dutch liner.

Happiness Aboard

I strolled round the decks and daily saw mothers knitting, chatting and playing mah jong, while their little ones played in safety within the well-equipped playground or swam in the large swimming pool under the watchful eye of the swimming steward.

The ship's officers and the Australian Commonwealth officials, who boarded the vessel at a North Queensland port, cannot be too highly praised for the parts they have played in the evacuation scheme.

Some Opinions

When interviewed, Mrs. T. J. Gould, wife of the Prize Court Marshal declared: "I have travelled on ships of all countries but I have never had more courtesy shown, nor more comfortable accommodation."

Mrs. A. H. S. Steele-Perkins, wife of Hongkong's Director of A.R.P., said: "Nobody could complain and I think the organisation and thoroughness shown to us is most praiseworthy."

Mrs. I. B. Trevor, the much-travelled Australian wife of the Traffic Manager of the K.C.R., added to the general opinion, saying: "Everything possible has been done for our comfort and I particularly commend the efficiency and speed

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NO THREAT TO SUEZ OR INDIA

Italians Advance In British Somaliland

LONDON, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—With reference to the German and Italian claims on the effect of the Italian advance into British Somaliland, "Reuter's" diplomatic correspondent says that authoritive circles in London point out that even if the Italians succeeded in occupying the whole of the Protectorate, they would not in any way imperil the Suez Canal or the route to India, as the Italians have not command of the seas.

Italians Isolated

Italians in Somaliland will still be isolated from Italy, and cut off from supplies by the British blockade.

The capture of Berbera would neither threaten Aden nor close the Red Sea. The Navy is capable of continuing the blockade of the Italians in Abyssinia and the Protectorate, even if the latter is overrun by Italians.

Quite apart from this, it is stated in Military circles that there is no intention of abandoning British Somaliland.

Protection For Convoys

New Device To Thwart Nazi Bombers

LONDON, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—Newspapers to-day carried photographs of a new protective device being fitted to convoys.

It consists of barrage balloons flown from the stern of ships.

According to experts, dive-bombers run the risk of almost certain collision with either balloon or its mooring cables.

High-level bombing is still possible, of course, but this is not so accurate as that from only 100 feet or so.

LONDON, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—Princess Maria of Savoy, youngest daughter of the King of Italy, to-day gave birth to a son in Rome.

CUDAHY IS RECALLED

Reprimanded For His London Interview

WASHINGTON, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt has ordered Mr. John Cudahy, American Ambassador to Belgium, to return to the United States for a consultation. Mr. Cudahy was reprimanded by the State Department for an interview given in London.

Mr. Sumner Welles, announcing the recall of Mr. Cudahy, read a formal statement in which he said that the interview in London had been given "in violation of the standing instructions of the State Department, and certain views expressed by the Ambassador were not to be construed as representing the Government's views."

The statement added that the incident again illustrates the importance which must be attributed by American representatives abroad to departmental instructions, and to refrain at this critical time from making public statements other than those made in accordance with instructions from the State Department.

U.S. Replies To Protest

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Aug. 9 (UP).—Mr. Sumner Welles, Assistant Secretary of State, to-day delivered the United States reply to the Japanese protest against the embargo on aviation gasoline exports.

The Japanese Ambassador visited Mr. Welles late this afternoon after which, when asked by the press whether he was making a reply to the Japanese, Mr. Welles said he could not discuss the subject until the Ambassador had delivered his formal protest.

LONDON, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—The Bremen wireless states that an agreement has been signed at Bucharest for the export of Rumanian wheat to Germany.

Benes on Future of The Czechs

LONDON, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—M. Eduard Benes, President of Czecho-Slovakia, who arrived by air at a training command in the Midlands, inspected the Czech forces, including several hundred who were training at Bordeaux when France capitulated.

M. Benes declared that this was the first hopeful turning point in the history of the Czecho-Slovak Republic since Munich. "Now we have started to rise again. I have complete confidence that the Republic will be restored as a strong, democratic and happy State, even better than before."

BRITISH RAIDERS' SUCCESS

Great Activity By R.A.F.

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Aug. 9 (UP).—The Air Ministry announces that British bombers made a daylight attack on the aerodrome at Schipol and Valkenburg near Maastricht yesterday. One British plane failed to return.

Coastal Command planes patrolling over Le Havre yesterday shot down a twin engined fighter plane in flames.

Among the military objectives that were bombed last night were the docks at Hamburg, supply depots at Haam, Soest and Cologne and several aerodromes. One British plane is missing.

Extensive Mine Laying

It was revealed that extensive mine laying forms a large part of the R.A.F. night operations. The announcement said, "Minelaying continued to cause serious damage to enemy shipping and disiocated his coastal traffic."

The Admiralty announced that Fleet Air Arm Walrus type plane operating from an Australian cruiser dive-bombed and damaged the Italian headquarters at Zella early yesterday. It added: "Italian aircraft yesterday made bombing attacks on our warships in the Gulf of Aden. Italian aircraft flew so high no damage was caused by their bombs and there were no casualties.

MOVING APPEAL FOR FOOD

ISTANBUL, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—The Turkish Red Crescent has received a moving appeal from the International Red Cross, says an Ankara despatch to the newspaper "Yenisabah," requesting foodstuffs for large numbers of French refugees "already on the verge of starvation with the inexorable winter approaching."

The despatch adds that the Red Crescent will probably contribute 50 truckloads of wheat.

Earlier reports indicated that there had been feverish military activity on both sides of the Kwangsi-Indo China border. The Japanese in Kwangsi, estimated to number 30,000, are stated to have received considerable reinforcements from the Kwangtung zone, and some 50,000 Annamite and Tonkinese troops are said to have been moved up inside French territory with orders to remain ten miles from the frontier and to resist any encroachment beyond that point.

French Forces Well Equipped

Military sources state that the total forces available for the defence of Indo China are 300,000 men, almost all native troops. There are only two battalions of the Foreign Legion in Indo China.

The French forces are stated to be well-equipped, but the Colony sadly lacks aeroplanes.

It is believed that some 300 American warplanes, purchased by the Chinese Government, are stored in Indo China awaiting reopening of the Chinese border, but Indo China has no pilots to man them.

Nevertheless, the French authorities, it is stated, would be able to draw upon substantial reserves of war materials scattered throughout the country as a result of the Franco-Japanese agreement to close the Chinese frontier.

War Supplies At Hand

These war supplies would doubtless be seized by the French authorities for their own use in the event of an invasion.

They include motor lorries, armoured cars, anti-tank guns, A.A. guns, and a vast store of petrol.

In addition to the French force of 300,000 men, some 300,000 Chinese troops are believed to be massed in Yunnan in the vicinity of the French frontier. These Chinese troops will undoubtedly invade Indo China from the north if the territory is violated by the Japanese.

Considerable interest has been manifest in Haiphong at the arrival there of two mysterious Japanese steamers. It is stated that the Japanese will not permit anyone to board the two ships.

Nazis Make Poles Pay

Announce New Tax Imposition

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Aug. 9 (UP).—A decree issued by the Ministerial Council for the Reich Defence subjects all Poles in the various sections of Poland which have been incorporated in the Reich, to the "Social Equalization Levy" which amounts to 15 per cent., of their incomes, payable as a surtax to the income taxes. This levy flows into the coffers of the Reich exclusively.

The Minister of Finance, in conjunction with the Ministers of Interior and Labour plans to extend this decree to other nationality groups.

MORE AUSSIE TROOPS IN EGYPT



Two contingents of Australian fighting forces have now reached Egypt to aid in Britain's defence of her Near East possessions. In this picture we see a section of the second contingent marching along a railway platform after disembarking in Egypt.

Withdrawal Of Troops From Shanghai

Destination Of Our Troops In China Is Not Yet Known

NO INFORMATION is available yet regarding the destination of the British troops who are being withdrawn from North China: nor has the approximate date of their departure been announced.

Daventry reported last night that the withdrawal of the troops would "strengthen British defences elsewhere in the Far East."

This has been taken to mean that the troops will be sent to either Hongkong or Singapore.

Situation In Tientsin

Since the withdrawal of the Durhams from Tientsin last October, the British Concession there has been garrisoned by only one Company. The Legation quarter in Peiping has been garrisoned by a platoon. About 1,500 men of the Seaforth Highlanders and East Surreys are in Shanghai.

Since last year the British Concession in Tientsin has been more or less garrisoned by American Marines, whose barracks are in British territory.

It has been suggested that the withdrawal from Shanghai will be followed by an augmentation of American marines in the International Settlement, and it is probable that some effort will be made to take over the British sector. The possibility that Japanese troops may patrol the British sector has not, however, been lost sight of.

With the withdrawal of the British forces, the only foreign troops garrisoning the International Settlement in Shanghai will be American, Italian and Japanese forces. French forces in Shanghai garrison the French Concession.

In addition to American troops, Italian and French forces are stationed at Tientsin.

Marines Will Remain

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Aug. 9.(UP).—Mr. Sumner Welles, Under-secretary of State, indicated that the United States Marines will remain at Shanghai at least for the present. He said

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New Hebrides To Fight With Britain

Cables Allegiance To Gen. Gaulle

LONDON, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—New Hebrides is the first part of the French Colonial Empire to range itself on the side of all free Frenchmen under General Charles de Gaulle.

General de Gaulle to-day received at his London headquarters a telegram from M. Sautot, the French Resident-Commissioner of New Hebrides, reporting the solemn declaration of the administration to "range themselves proudly under your flag."

To Send Fighting Men

The telegram adds that "the French population of New Hebrides places itself with confidence and respect

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LATEST

Chungking Raid

JAPANESE AIR BASE, Aug. 10 (Domei).—Japanese naval units launched five raids on Chungking on Friday afternoon.

The formations bombed the old city quarters and Haitangki was bombed for the first time. Other units raided Kwangshanpi.

Fighter machines were encountered, but all Japanese planes returned to their bases.

BIG DEATH TOLL IN ROME EXPLOSION

LONDON, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—The Berlin news agency states that according to the latest reports from Rome, 39 persons were killed and 500 injured in an explosion at the munitions factory at Piacenza.

The building was completely destroyed.

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Oh, for the Gadgets of Yesteryear!

By W. Clifford Harvey



IS MODERN RESEARCH the modern dictator? Answers to that question are written into the building fronts of large city shopping centres where thousands of customers daily discard the old things for the new, often before the old has had time to outlive its usefulness.

Also, in automobile showrooms, the lure of modern streamlines and 1940 gadgets blur the vision of motorists to the miles of comfortable, economic driving still left in the old cars.

Coats, vests and trousers are produced by the thousands to fit the so-called average man. They almost fit others. But they do not come within a cuff's width of meeting the requirements of the many who do not conform to the average, stereotyped pattern. The "average" man is usually the one who looks stylish, or else he has the money for custom-made clothes.

True, modern research has produced an automobile that all but drives itself—until something happens to the automatic controls. Then, where is the driver of the automatic car who has automatically forgotten to keep up with mechanical changes? When the modern car goes wrong, the garage man is dictator. Which explains the enthusiasm of the independent motorist who recently bought a car of the 1929 vintage. "Now I can fix it myself," he said.

Automatic, also, is the average, modern home basement with its intricate layout of safety valves, gauges and gadgets. It literally hums with moving parts, completely baffling to the family man who used to tinker in his spare time. Now, when the equipment breaks down, the family head calls helplessly upon specialists whose jobs seem dependent upon developing new equipment faster than the layman's powers of comprehension.

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Paradoxically, modern research seems to be both for and against the average man. Take, for instance, the release it is giving to him from burdens of conventional dress; slacks for summer wear, collarless shirts and comfortable Sports shoes.

And research, or style if you will, is even introducing soft collars for evening, formal wear. But research has not even volunteered a substitute for traditional, strait-jacket evening clothes and elusive collar buttons that take four hands to get into place—yours and your wife's.

Then, there are the old songs that linger pleasantly on the lips of modern youth, showing that sentiment and art can "buck" the research dictator. Yet, no amount of sentiment can keep running boards on automobiles. Practicability may restore them in the end, but laboratory expers seem convinced that running boards are "on the way out."

Why? Because roomier bodies are demanded by manufacturers after feeling the pulse of the average man. And since garages will not allow for pushing cars farther out in front, or in the rear, bodies are being widened, utilizing the space now occupied by the running boards.

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That sounds logical. Yet someone has asked why the motor industry does not turn out a family four-seater, built upon a chassis of its own, rather than upon the chassis that a seven-passenger car would require.

The answer, of course, is mass production in order to bring down prices to the average man.

Step into the restaurant and you tangle with menus drawn up for the average family. There are the standardized prices. Hundreds of families without stereotyped appetites get more than they want to eat and often eat it because they have it on their plates. They would rather be served less and pay less.

From the average family, research artists get their inspiration in housing fields. Cottages, mellowed clapboards and short, plum chimneys, ride the waves of national agitation for flat-roofted, glass-block homes founded on the socalled "functional" needs of the modern family. On the other hand, sentiment has failed to keep the kerosene lamp on living room tables, even though the New Englanders mumbled to themselves during the 1938 hurricane that the old oil lamp would not have failed them.

During the last five years, modern research has developed into big business. More and more millions of dollars are being poured into research laboratories of industry, education and government to find new things for people to use and new ways of using them.

Glaring advertisements tell the public to change to something better, promising to outmode even the home of the future almost as soon as Junior outgrows his crib.

Tinkling bells tell the family man when to get up in the morning. Oil burners merrily hum through the night or swing automatically into action just before the family arises. Gone are the routine, fire-stoking trips into the basement. Gone, too, thanks to refrigeration research, is the disturbing question! "How much longer will yesterday's ice delivery last in this hot weather?"

Yes, research is a great benefactor in many ways. Plug in the electric razor and you are through-shaving in a jiffy. That is, some electric shavers are. Others sit with a book for what seems like hours, happily buzzing away at their beards. And still others labour long and conscientiously with their little grinders and get nowhere at all. They haven't learned how.

Sit down to breakfast and twiddle your thumbs while the automatic toaster browns both sides of the bread, rings a bell when its work is done, tosses the slices out of the machinery and all but plays "Yankee Doodle" while you do the eating. We repeat, "you" do the eating.

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But what if you do not like "Yankee Doodle"? And what if your style of toast is not the—conventional,—standardized brown that the electric wizard is accustomed to turning out?

In that case, you are the victim of modern research. Either you take the stereotyped toast or look around for another toaster. In either case, research has scored again.

Now, for those who enjoy the brush and lather for shaving, they are being advised that research is on their trail. Sentimental attachment, even though it is bringing back the bicycle after years of obscurity, can hardly be expected to ward off the electric razor.

And why do motorists drive their cars to the corner grocery store instead of walking? Not because they do not like to walk, but because research has thrust them into an era of automatic action, in which cars and homes virtually run themselves. This, in turn, has encouraged the tantalizing procedure of industry pulling old things off the market just when you need to replace a few broken parts.

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Only five years ago, a family moved into its new home in Newton, Mass. Recently, three broken latches needed replacing on kitchen cabinets; Research had found new latches, however, the old type being discontinued. Hence, in order to keep the harmony of detail in the kitchen, the family had to replace all 13 latches.

Just to maintain the great paradox, research has turned somewhat from standardization in the camera world, shifting a measure of emphasis from stereotyped, box camera photos that were once invariably good, to the intricate machinery of levers, bulbs and hand gadgets to bewilder the layman. If you get what the camera field calls a "real, good camera" these days, it is as thoroughly a 10-finger job as playing the flute.

Lately, modern research has dipped into the kitchen to lift Mrs. Blank out of the drudgery of housework. Now the family must "eat out" most of the time, so that Junior is developing into a transient consumer. Fireless cookers and electrical controls are encouraging the dinner to "prepare itself" even though the family, if left alone, would go right on enjoying the dinners "mother used to make."

But the time seems not distant when "hand-made dinners" will be as old-fashioned as "hand-made quilts."



A BEETHOVEN ANECDOTE

Despite his monumental genius as a composer, Beethoven was not always above criticism as a performer. But criticism was something the great man was never above accepting.

Once after a dinner given by a Princess, Ries, a favourite pupil of Beethoven, was asked to play one of the latter's piano sonatas, but pleaded to be excused because he had not yet studied it.

But Beethoven refused to let him off, saying, "Now, you will not play it so badly that I cannot listen."

Beethoven turned the pages while Ries played. Presently the latter made a mistake in the left hand, and Beethoven tapped him lightly on the head with his finger. Again a mistake, and again a gentle tap.

At the conclusion of the work, Beethoven said, "Well done. You have no need of studying those sonatas with me first. The finger signals were only to prove my attention to you."

Beethoven was then persuaded to play his D minor sonata, Opus 31, while the Princess volunteered to turn the pages. Came a noticeable blunder from the master, and the Princess gave him a none too gentle tap on the head with her hand.

"If the pupil receives a finger tap for a false note," she explained, "the master must be punished with a full hand when he makes a greater mistake."

Beethoven led with hearty laughter the merriment which followed. Then he began the sonata all over again, and performed the work wonderfully, rendering the adagio with particular beauty and grace.



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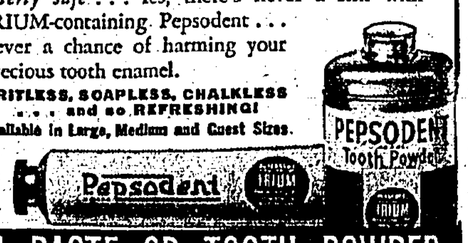


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SHOW NEWS

LADY of the TROPICS



Hedy Lamarr and Robert Taylor are the lovers of "Lady of the Tropics."

FILM: "Clouds over Europe."

STARS: Ralph Richardson, Laurence Olivier.

VERDICT: Melodrama in thet bright manner.

—KING'S

The real star of this film is Ralph Richardson's umbrella. It crops up periodically to impede or hasten the action and is involved in most of the numerous situations.

The story is frank melodrama with bearded Nazi spies, death-rays and missing planes laid out liberally. Laurence Olivier, the nominal star, is only the romantic interest around which Ralph Richardson as a seemingly dull intelligence officer and Valerie Hobson his reporter sister wrap a diverting comedy.

The film follows the farce-murder stories of the American school with an English twist. It is first-rate entertainment.

FILM: "Turnabout."

STAR: Carole Landis, John Hubbard, Adolphe Menjou.

VERDICT: Neat adaptation of Thorne Smith's farce.

This gay little film follows the Thorne Smith story as closely as Will Hays, the Lord Chancellor and the burning point of celluloid permit.

Remember how Mr. Ram, the elderly Egyptian idol grows tired of the young couple's bickering and switches their bodies?

Carole Landis is the girl who suddenly finds herself in a man's body, John Hubbard the husband who finds himself a woman—and about to become a mother.

His unorthodox behaviour as a cigar-smoking young matron gives the film some of its best moments.

"GONE WITH THE WIND"

"Gone With the Wind" will probably be released in Hongkong next month. This film, in which Vivian Leigh, Clarke Gable, and Leslie Howard star, has been one of the biggest successes of the year. It has just completed a run of 43 days in Shanghai.

Guide To The Shows

TO-DAY

KING'S: "Clouds over Europe."
QUEEN'S and ALHAMBRA: "Lady of the Tropics."
ORIENTAL: "Jamaica Inn."
MAJESTIC: "British Intelligence."

TO-MORROW

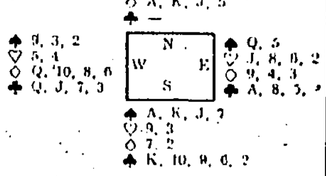
QUEEN'S and ALHAMBRA: "Lady of the Tropics."
ORIENTAL: "Amazing Mr. Williams."
MAJESTIC: "Grapes of Wrath."
KING'S: "Turnabout."

BRIDGE

"SIX OR SEVEN?"

Here is another hand, submitted by a correspondent, which is typical of many which are correctly bid into a slam, but which the Declarer often fails to make through bad trump management.

The contract was "Six Spades" by South, and the opening lead was the 6 of Diamonds by West:—



In actual play, South failed to make his contract, presumably by being so elated at finding the Queen of Trumps right for him that he drew three rounds before realising that he needed two of the four in his own hand for ruffing. However, in the subsequent discussion, an onlooker casually remarked that "Seven Spades" could be made against the opening lead of the 6 of Diamonds. Try it, and if you agree—or if you don't—the solution follows hereunder:—

	West	North	East	South
1	◇ 6	◇ A	◇ 3	◇ 2
2	♠ 2	♠ 4	♠ 5	♠ A
3	♠ 3	♠ 6	♠ Q	♠ K
4	♡ 4	♡ A	♡ 2	♡ 3
5	♡ 5	♡ K	♡ 6	♡ 9
6	♠ 3	♡ 7	♡ 8	♠ J
7	◇ 8	◇ J	◇ 4	◇ 7
8	◇ 10	◇ 5	◇ 9	♠ 7
9	♣ 7	♠ 8	♣ 4	♠ 2
10	♠ 9	♠ 10	♣ 5	♣ 6

The last three tricks will then be won by the set-up Q 10 of Hearts and K of Diamonds in Dummy.

This question of trump management is one which well repays a little study. In the above solution you will see that South provides for all except the worst possible adverse distribution of Hearts and Diamonds, subject always to the Diamond finesse being right.

Can you get "Six Spades" without making seven against best defence?

STAMPS

MT. FUJI

Japan has issued many stamps picturing the beautiful Mount Fuji, sacred mountain of Japan.

The new 20 sen stamp portrays a striking view of Mount Fuji. At the top of the stamp is the imperial chrysanthemum and below is shown a branch of Japanese cherry blossoms.

The colour of this stamp is pale blue and white, which brings out the beauty of both mountain and blossoms. The designers of the stamp are Masaru Kimura and Teizo Kasori.

Afghanistan—Two new values have been added to the current set. These are the 45 p. (red) showing Independence monument and the 1 af. (blue) showing Mohammed Zahir Shah.

France—Two semi-postal issues have appeared, the surtax from which will go towards War Relief funds. The 40c. plus 60c. (brown), shows a French soldier against a landscape with the outline of the Strasburg Cathedral in the background. The 1 fr. plus 50c. (deep blue), shows a Moroccan landscape, in the right foreground of which sits a soldier of the Foreign Legion.

Monaco—A set of fifteen values has made its appearance, each bearing a surtax and the words "Red Cross." The designs are six in number and include the cathedral, St. Nicholas Square, the Palace Gate, a view of the country, the Castle, and a view of the Harbour.

Paraguay—A "Homenaje a la Universidad" (Homage to the University) set of stamps has been issued. Three of the stamps, the 0.50, 1 and two pesos values, bear the portraits of General Patricio Escobar, a former president of Paraguay, and Dr. Ramon Zubizarreta, who was the University's first rector. The 5 pesos (blue) stamp pictures Caballero, a former president of Paraguay, and Decoud, a former senator.

BOOKS

A Brilliant Wit

By Robert Lynd

MISS ROSE MACAULAY has never written more brilliantly than in "And No Man's Wit" (Collins, 8s. 6d.). She has something of Mr. Shaw's genius for the dialogue of ideas—the dialogue of clashing points of view, often comical.

It is to a Shavian situation that she introduces us, indeed. Dr. Kate Marlowe, militant Liberal Englishwoman, travels to Franco Spain in search of her son, who fought in the International Brigade and had not been heard of since. She takes with her the son's fiancee, her daughter, who is a novel-addict, another son and a Communist chauffeur; and before long they find themselves the guests of a Spanish marquis, who had been a friend of her lost son's at Oxford, though he was vehemently opposed to his Left opinions.

The marquis's household, however, is not unanimously Francoite. Every Right point of view—Carlist, Monarchist and Falangist—has a champion in it; and there is a Frenchman to act as philosophic commentator.

Miss Macaulay gives the conversation of her characters the vigour of action that makes it a running stream of entertainment.

She has what the novel-reading girl in her story looked for in novels—"the art that takes life, adventure, love, hate, revolutions, murders, people, conversations, jokes, and moulds them into a neat, lovely, dazzling pink shape like sherry trifle stuck with almonds."

I fancy, however, the brain-work in Miss Macaulay's novel might have been too much for the girl. For, with all her laughter at human beings and their narrow ideals, Miss Macaulay has written a book that is both profoundly intelligent and fundamentally serious.

"And No Man's Wit" is a remarkable series of flashlights on the age in which we live.

The Later Yeats

EVEN those who prefer the earlier and middle Yeats to the later Yeats will find "Letters on Poetry, from W. B. Yeats to Dorothy Wellesley" (Oxford University Press, 8s. 6d.) a book of extraordinary fascination.

There was never a poet more preoccupied with his art than Yeats, and though he admired some bad poetry and hated some good poetry his opinions always have the weight of a great and original personality behind them.

Not that some of his comments are not shocking; as when he speaks of "Wilfrid Owen, whom I consider unworthy of the poets' corner of a weekly newspaper." Owen, he declared, "is all blood, dirt and sucked sugar-stick."



"Listen — will you quit that doggone breathing?"

Poets, it is clear, are not always the best critics.

Humour

"MY OLD MAN" (Constable, 7s. 6d.), Mr. Damon Runyon's new book, is a collection of sage and humorous commentaries and anecdotes on all sorts of things. He begins, oddly enough, with an appreciation of the 23rd Psalm. Bankers, nuns, snobs, and doctors are among the other subjects.

Cricketer

HOW refreshing it will be just now to have a new book of cricket reminiscences, "Tours and Tests" (R.T.S. 6s.), by so lively an expert on the game as Mr. Kenneth Farnes!—Here we are taken delightfully from the village green to the tense atmosphere of the Test Match. A book that gives a holiday to the imagination.

Where Would You Find—

1. Hampton Institute?
2. The Brazos River?
3. The famous painting "The Blue Boy" by Thomas Gainsborough?
4. A field?
5. The Bay of Fundy?
6. Merced Lake?
7. Sylt?
8. The first telegraph line in the United States?
9. A Rocky Mountain canary?
10. Micronesia?

(Answers appear on this page)

Film: *"Lady of the Tropics."*

Stars: *Robert Taylor, Hedy Lamarr.*

Verdict: *Nickel-plated glamour.*

—Queen's & Alhambra.

ROBERT TAYLOR and Hedy Lamarr are the stars and Saigon the setting of "Lady of the Tropics." It drapes an essentially thread-bare plot in large quantities of expensively-created glamour.

Mr. Taylor appears as a playboy who steps off a friend's yacht and almost at once walks into the arms of a lovely half-caste. She is aching to leave and settle in Paris as the chic Frenchwoman she certainly looks, but her beauty is such that Saigon is loth to let her go.

At least a very influential man is loth to let her go, and even marriage to the handsome American fails to remove the obstacles. Only a sudden death does that.

There is no use pretending that any of the characters in "Lady of the Tropics" are convincing, but it has enough technical excellence almost to make one forget the tawdry nature of the plot.

Mr. Taylor, radiating good health and magnificently handsome as ever, strolls through it all with easy charm, and the camera lingers lovingly over the smooth beauty of Miss Lamarr.

It Has Been Said of Judgment—

How little do they see what really is, who frame their hasty judgment upon that which seems.—Southey.

A man generally has the good or ill qualities which he attributes to mankind.—Shenstone.

Human nature is so constituted that all see and judge better in the affairs of other men than in their own.—Terence.

Judge thyself with the judgment of sincerity, and thou wilt judge others with the judgment of charity.—J. Mason.

Judgment is forced upon us by experience.—Johnson.

Men's judgments are a parcel of their fortunes; and things outward do draw the inward quality after them.—Shakespeare.

In judging of others a man laboreth in vain, often erreth, and easily sinneth; but in judging and examining himself, he always laboreth fruitfully.—Thomas a Kempis.

We judge ourselves by what we feel capable of doing; others judge us by what we have done.—Longfellow.

Geographical Oddities

Some years ago the late Dr. David Starr Jordan, one of the world's greatest ichthyologists, was called upon to explain a mystery among the fishes of Yellowstone National Park. Certain species of trout indigenous to waters of the Pacific slope had been found in streams in the park flowing to the Atlantic down the east slope of the continental divide.

Dr. Jordan cleared this mystery by finding a marshy mountain meadow on the continental divide, in the park, which has two outlets—one to the Pacific through the Snake and Columbia Rivers, and the other to the Atlantic through tributaries of the Yellowstone River. Small fishes could easily make the migration over the continental divide from one watershed to the other.

It remained, however, for Lewis R. Freeman, well-known writer and explorer, to discover, in 1924, the world's only small lake known to have an outlet to three oceans. He found it high up on the continental divide of British Columbia, a lake little bigger than a pond, discharging its overflow through three outlets—to the Pacific, to the Arctic, and to the Atlantic.

Where Would You Find — ANSWERS

1. A negro college at Hampton, Virginia.
2. It rises in Stonewall County, Texas, and flows into the Gulf of Mexico; 870 miles long.
3. The Huntington Collection, San Marino, California.
4. A high, barren plateau or table land of Norway.
5. A bay between Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, Canada; noted for its high tides.
6. A scenic lake in Yosemite National Park, California.
7. The German island air base in the North Sea.
8. From Washington to Baltimore in 1843.
9. A name given the burros used in western United States.
10. An equatorial region of the South Sea Islands.

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1.0 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Hungarian Folk Music by Magyari Imre and His Hungarian Gypsy Orchestra.

1.15 Songs by James Melton and Frances Langford.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Carroll Gibbons (Piano) and His Boy Friends.

2.15 Close down.

6.0 Beethoven—Sonata No. 9 in A Major, Op. 47 "Kreutzer" Sonata. Cortot (Piano) and Thibaud (Violin).

6.33 Closing local Stock Quotations.

6.35 Songs by Beniamino Gigli (Tenor).

Un Reve (Grieg); Lucia, Luci (de Curtis); A Song of Naples (de Curtis).

6.45 London Relay—A North of England Programme.

7.15 Alfredo Campoli and His Orchestra.

With the Classics (arr. Sidney Crook)—Medley; The Fiddler's At The Forge (Ives); Penny In the Slot (Ashworth-Hope).

7.30 London Relay—The News.

8.0 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Light Opera Selections.

8.27 Chabrier — Cotillon — Ballet Music.

London Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Antal Dorati.

8.45 London Relay — 'London Log.'

9.0 London Relay—The News and Topical Talks.

9.45 A Variety Programme with The Western Brothers, Ann Penn, Murgatroyd and Winterbottom, and Others.

11.0 An hour of Dance Music.

12.0 midnight Close down.

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11.0 a.m. Morning Service from St. John's Cathedral.

12.15 p.m. Beethoven—Symphony No. 6 in F Major, Op. 68 (Pastoral").

The Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Bruno Walter.

12.50 Song by Gerhard Husch (Baritone.)

Guzing Around ('Tannhauser'—Wagner).

1.0 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Albert Sandler (Violin) and His Orchestra.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Liszt—Benediction Do Dieu Dans La Solitude.

Louis Kentner (Piano).

2.01 An Orchestral Concert with Stuart Robertson (Baritone).

2.30 Close down.

7.0 Half an hour with Grieg.

7.30 London Relay—The News.

8.0 Local Time Signal and Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Essie Ackland (Contralto), Richard Crooks (Tenor) and Marek Weber and His Orchestra.

8.45 Studio—The tenth of a weekly series of Book Reviews.

8.55 Orchestral Interlude.

9.0 London Relay—The News.

9.30 Rachmaninoff—Concerto No. 2 in C Minor, Op. 18.

10.02 Cesar Franck—Finale in B Flat, Op. 21.

Guy Weitz (Organ).

10.15 Studio—Sunday Evening Epilogue.

Conducted by a Priest of the Roman Catholic Church.

10.35 Close down.

WIVES IN AUSTRALIA

First Hongkong Evacuees Reach Brisbane

Brisbane, Aug. 9.

The first of the evacuated women and children from Hongkong sailed up the Brisbane River this afternoon after a 12-day trip direct from Manila. Only 28 disembarked here, the remainder being booked for Sydney and Melbourne.

The evacuees, who numbered about 500, were in splendid spirits, saying they had had an excellent trip on a luxury Dutch liner.—*United Press.*

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1st. Silver Cup. 2nd. $30. 3rd. $20. 4th. $12.50.

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(Craftsmen's Section)

The whole of the work entailed in the production of every entry must have been done by the competitors who will be required to make a declaration to this effect. Each entry must have pasted on the back a special entry form obtainable on application from The Hongkong Telegraph or from the Hon. Secretary, Hongkong Photographic Society. Subjects at the discretion of competitors.

1st. Silver Cup. 2nd. $30. 3rd. $20. 4th. $12.50.

RULES

The following Rules will govern the Competition:

1.—The Competition is confined exclusively to amateur photographers.
2.—No employee or member of any firm in the photographic trade is permitted to compete.
3.—The prizes will be awarded to the competitors sending in what are adjudged to be the best photographs in each Section. Each entry must be accompanied by a form which will be published during the period of the Competition, and which must be pasted on back of entry.
4.—The right to publish any or all of the entries is reserved to the *Hongkong Telegraph*.
5.—All photographs entered must have been taken in the Colony of Hongkong. Photographs which have been already entered in other Competitions are ineligible
6.—No responsibility will be accepted for non-delivery of, loss of, or damage to entries.
7.—All entries to be either black, sepia, or toned pictures, and must be mounted. Coloured photographs are ineligible.
8.—Pictures submitted in sepia tones should be accompanied by a smaller print in black and white.
9.—No picture to entered in more than one Section.
10.—Mounts to be only white or cream, must be of one of the following sizes:—10×12, 16×20.
11.—No correspondence will be entered into in connection with the Competition.
12.—Members of the Staffs of the *Hongkong Telegraph* and the *South China Morning Post* are not permitted to compete.
13.—The decision of the Judges shall be final.
14.—At the conclusion of the Competition, entries will be returned to competitors on application at the *Telegraph* offices within seven days.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

G. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 12th day of August, 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Magazine Gap Road, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

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CHURCH NOTICES

UNION CHURCH (KENNEDY ROAD)

Rev. K. Mackenzie Dow To Preach To-morrow

Morning Service, 10.30 a.m. Evening Service 6 p.m. Preacher at both services, Rev. K. Mackenzie Dow.

The Week-night meeting will be held in the Church Hall at 7.30 as usual. Tea and light refreshments will be served, and Servicemen are specially invited.

METHODIST CHURCH (QUEEN'S ROAD EAST)

Rev. J. E. Sandbach To Preach To-morrow

Services on Sunday, August 11

Preacher.—Morning and Evening Rev. J. E. Sandbach.

Morning Parade Service at 10.15 a.m. Hymn No. 36, Prayer, Hymn No. 250, First Lesson, Hymn No. 488, Second Lesson, Prayer, Notice, Offertory, Hymn No. 915, Sermon, Hymn No. 272, Benediction.

Evening Service at 7 p.m. Hymn No. 72, Prayer, Hymn No. 63, Lesson, Prayer, Notices, Offertory, Hymn No. 528, Sermon, Hymn No. 607, Benediction.

Notices for the Week

1. Following the Evening Service a Social Hour will be held at the S & S Home at 8.15 p.m. All the Servicemen and civilians will be warmly welcomed.

2. A meeting for Prayer and Fellowship will be held at the S & S Home on Tuesday at 8.30 p.m.

CHRIST CHURCH (WATERLOO ROAD)

Rev. J. R. Higgs to Preach At Mattins

Sunday, August 11, Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

7.15 a.m. Holy Communion; 9.45 a.m. Mattins and Sermon. Preacher the Rev. J. R. Higgs: Vicar of S. Andrew's Kowloon. Hymns at Mattins: 473, 397, 375, 420.

Services in Mandarin; 8 a.m. Holy Communion; 11 a.m. Holy Communion and Sermon. Preacher Mr. T. K. Chiu of Ying Wah College.

Worshippers at Christ Church are reminded of the alteration in the times of service. The Choral Service which used to be held at 10 is now held at 9.45 a.m. and the Sunday Schools which usually meet at 9 a.m. are discontinued for the time being. There is no evening service at Christ Church, and Christ Church people who wish to attend an evening service are reminded of the evensong at St. Andrew's at 7 p.m. and at the Cathedral at 7 p.m.

Tuesday August 13.—Meeting of the Christ Church Parochial Council in the Vicarage at 6 p.m.

Thursday August 15.—7.15 a.m. Holy Communion.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST SCIENTIST

(21, MACDONNELL ROAD)

Service on Sunday, August 11.

The subject of the Lesson Sermon in all Christian Science Churches to-morrow, August 11, will be "Spirit."

The Golden Text will be: "Teach me to do thy will; for thou art my God: thy spirit is good; lead me into the land of uprightness. (Psalms 143: 10).

Among others the following citations will be read from the Bible: "I am the Lord, and there is none else, there is no God beside me; I girded thee, though thou hast not known me. I form the light and create darkness: I make peace and create evil: I the Lord do all these things." (Isaiah 45: 6, 7).

The following citations will also be read from the Christian Science Textbook, "Science and Health, with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy: "In Isaiah we read: 'I make peace and create evil. I the Lord do all these things,' but the prophet referred to divine law as stirring up the belief in evil to its utmost, when bringing it to the surface and reducing it to its common denominator, nothingness. The muddy river-bed must be stirred in order to purify the stream. We ought to know that God's law uncovers so-called sin and its effect, only that Truth may annihilate all sense of evil and all power to sin." (Science and Health, Page 540).

Announcement

First Church of Christ, Scientist, Hongkong (a Branch of the Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass.), No. 31, Macdonnel Road, close to Peak Tram Station, Sunday Service 11.15 a.m. Testimony Meeting, Wednesday, 8 p.m. A Reading Room is located in the Church building and is open on Monday, Thursday and Saturday mornings from 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and on Tuesday and Friday evenings from 5.30 p.m. to 7 p.m. All authorised Christian Science literature is available at the Reading Room. The public is cordially invited to attend the services and to visit the Reading Room.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary issued yesterday says:

The week's trading has been the poorest for a very considerable period. An effort to discover why there exists this state of almost complete apathy finds it impossible to ascribe it to any one particular reason. The interim dividends recently announced by some of the Utility Companies indicate they, at any rate, are meeting with some measure of success in spite of the uncertain outlook. Possibly if the elusive sprite name "Confidence" could be induced to pay us a visit, price levels ruling to-day might prove attractive to a gradually widening circle. The Land Co., has declared an interim of $1 payable 27th inst. This is a slight disappointment as the interim last year was $1¼.

Business Done During the Week

H.K. Banks $1,180, $1,185
China Underwriters 10 cents
Providents $3.60
Hotels $3.10, $3.20
Lands $32
Tramways $15½
China Lights (Old) $6½
China Lights (New) $3.60
Electrics (Old) $37, $36¾, $36½, $37
Electrics (New) $35¾
Cements $15

Buyers

H.K. Banks $1,185
Union Insurances $345
Hotels $3.10
Lands $30.50
Electrics (Old) $36.75

Sellers

Lands $31

Sales

H.K. Banks $1,190
Lands $30.50
Watsons $8.15

THE WAR FUND

A total of $1,301,705.03 was reached yesterday by the War Fund inaugurated by the S. C. M. Post, Ltd.

Latest subscriptions.
M. L. B. $10
Staff of the Mental Hospital 50

BRITISH TROOPS IN CHINA

London Orders Move From Stations

London, Aug. 9.

THE War Office announced today that British troops stationed in Shanghai and North China were to be withdrawn for service elsewhere.

An authoritative statement declares that Britain has informed America and Japan of the move.

It is pointed out that the question of the disposal of the British force at Shanghai, amounting to about 1,500 men according to authoritative estimates, has been under consideration since before the European war.

An official statement declares:

The decision was dictated solely by strategic motives. The original purpose of the force, as of the forces other nations—Italians, Americans and French—stationed in Shanghai was to secure the lives and property of their nationals in the International Settlement against mob violences.

With the development of the Japan-China conflict this function has lost much of its practical significance and the retention of so useful a force of the regular British army had to be considered in view of its international concern from every point of view and in the light of the general situation.

A full and careful review of the British military position in general has only recently been completed. As a result, the decision was reached that the time had come for an adjustment which would not weaken, but on the contrary should considerably improve, the strategic position of the British forces in the Far East as a whole.

The United States Government was informed in advance of the British Government's intention.

The forces for withdrawal consist of two battalions, mostly in Shanghai. There is a company in Tientsin and a platoon at Peiping. It is obvious that such small police forces, separated by great distances, were from a military point of view more of a liability than an asset.—*British Wireless.*

United Press states that Britain considered the China garrison too small to meet a major situation but sufficiently useful elsewhere. It is understood it will be used to strengthen other forces in the Far East.

The Press Association states that Britain is at war and must dispose of her forces in the best possible manner.

No Surprise In Shanghai

Shanghai, Aug. 9.

Apart from stating that London had ordered the troops to go elsewhere, the British military authorities refused to divulge further information to-night.

The announcement did not come with the surprise generally anticipated as the British community fully appreciates the circumstances.

The troops in Shanghai comprise the second battalion of the East Surreys and the first battalion of the Seaforth Highlanders. In other North China ports there is only a small number of the East Surreys.

Military authorities declined to reveal the date of the departure of the troops, their destination of future plans of the British defence sector.

"The Japanese authorities are very pleased at this action," declared the Japanese Embassy spokesman, recalling the Japanese request when Italy entered the war for the withdrawal of belligerent Third Power forces in order to prevent incidents. "We expect other powers will follow the British lead."

Semi-official French sources stated that no withdrawal of French forces was contemplated. American and Italian officials were non-committal.

Officials of the Nanking regime expressed pleasure at the announcement and expressed the hope that the action would be followed by other Powers.—*Reuter.*

Still Maintains Rights

Tokyo, Aug. 9.

The Japanese Government, in announcing it had been notified of the withdrawal of the British garrisons from China, declared that Britain reserved all rights under the Peking Protocol of September 7, 1901, until such time as the Protocol was amended or abrogated by agreement between the Powers concerned.—*Domei.*

BLACKOUT NOTICE

Instruction For Shipping During Exercise

In connection with the blackout in Hongkong on the night of August 27-28, instructions to mariners were issued by the Hongkong Harbour Office yesterday.

The following lights in the Hongkong area will be extinguished: Waglan Island, Tathong Point, Cape Collinson, South Lyemun, North Lyemun, Channel, Cust Rock, North Fairway Buoy, Central Fairway Buoy, South Fairway Buoy, Green Island and Cheung Chau Island passage.

Normal lighting will be resumed on the night of August 28-29.

Thirty minutes after sunset, navigation and riding lights must be extinguished, and all movements of shipping and other craft must cease. Should any vessels be under way at this hour, they should proceed with navigation lights alight to the nearest safe anchorage or jetty, and after either anchoring or securing, navigation and riding lights must be extinguished.

The termination of the exercise will be indicated by the sounding of the "Raiders Passed" signal, when normal lighting and navigation may be resumed within Port Limits.

BLOW TO NAZI MORALE

Cannot Afford These Huge Air Losses

LONDON, Aug. 9 (Reuter)—"Reuter's" diplomatic correspondent writes:

"The Germans cannot afford to wage air warfare indefinitely on the lines of Thursday's battles, for apart from the physical difficulty of replacing not only the material but the men, there is the bigger question of morale.

"Sixty German planes to the British 16 was good going. British aviation had one of its best days since Dunkirk.

Significant

"The immense importance the Germans attach to the factor of morale is shown by their policy of excessively exaggerating their successes and abnormally minimising their losses. The high degree of this exaggeration is regarded as significant that they should find it necessary so widely to pervert the truth, because it is obvious that they cannot deceive their people completely or indefinitely.

"Their airmen, despite the fact that they are drawn from widely scattered units to avoid comparison of experiences, cannot be expected to accept the statement, 'Three of our planes are missing,' when many of them must have seen eight, ten or even 16 of them—Junkers and Messerschmitts—shot down in flames in a few minutes. (The Germans later admitted the loss of 12).

Easier Form Of Lying

"The claims of successes can more easily be given an air of verisimilitude. German communiques often describe with almost photographic detail how whole squadrons of British planes were brought down over French, Belgian or Dutch territory—never over Germany.

"They also claim to have started fires visible many miles among British industrial plants and inflicting heavy damage. All such allegations can neither be proved nor disproved by people in Germany.

"It is different, however, with losses. These cannot be concealed all the time nor from all the people.

"Just as the British nightly raids over Germany have proved the falsity of Goering's claim last year that no British airmen could bomb Germany, so the empty chairs at airmen's messes after visits to England, whispered experiences of those airmen lucky enough to escape and the steady drain on the reserves must be known throughout the German Air Force and to thousands of the German people.

"The fact that the High Command nevertheless finds it imperative to go on minimising losses to an almost unheard of degree is significant as showing what the High Command itself reels about the needs of German morale."

Anxiety In Germany

LONDON, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—The Berne correspondent of the "Eclaireur de Nices" reports that the delay of the offensive is upsetting German morale and that the prospect of continued British bombing is causing anxiety inside Germany.

The correspondent says that it will apparently be the first time that Hitler has not kept his word, for it is known that he has told the troops that the war would be over by September 1.

Japan Quits Rotary

Tokyo, Aug. 9.

In view of the radical changes in the international situation, the Federation of Rotary Clubs in Japan and Manchukuo, comprising 47 bodies, will hold a meeting in Tokyo on August 14 to decide upon reorganisation.

Movements are afoot in several cities for dissolving the Clubs. The Shizuoka Club on Thursday announced its disbandment and bodies at Osaka and Okayama will be closed shortly.

The existing Japan-Manchukuo Rotary Federation replaced in October the 70th. district of the International Rotary Club.

It is understood the Japanese and Manchukuo organisations will be changed to public service bodies, with a view to contributing toward the establishment of the Oriental sphere of common prosperity.—*Domei.*

A.D.C.s Relinquish Their Posts

The Government Gazette announces to-day that the following have relinquished their appointments as Honorary Aides-de-Camp to His Excellency Mr. N. L. Smith, C.M.G., as from August 5, 1940:—

Captain H. A. de B. Botelho, H.K.V.D.C.; Mr. Fung Ping-fan, St. John Ambulance Association Brigade; Mr. Ts'o Tsun-on, Hongkong Police Reserve; Subadar Major Hoshiyar Singh, 1st. Kumoan Rifles; Mr. K. A. Bidmead, Hongkong Police; Flt. Lt. N. W. Wright, R.A.F.; Act. Lt. T. M. Parsons, H.K.N.V.F.; Lt. J. P. Gunner, R.A.; 2nd. Lt. B. A. Fargus, 2nd. Bn. Royal Scots (The Royal Regiment); Lt. G. P. Ferguson, H.K.V.D.C.; Subadar Amrick Singh, Hongkong Regiment, H.K.S.R.A.; Subadar Major Sultan Bux, 5th A.A. Regiment, R.A.

LONDON, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—A new club for New Zealand forces was opened at Charing Cross Road today. It was formerly the headquarters of the Italian Fascists in Britain.

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CAPETOWN AS REFUGE

Colony Evacuation Changes Plans

Following the news of Hongkong's evacuation, received by wireless on board, a number of British women and children bound for the Colony disembarked at Capetown, from a liner which arrived at Hongkong yesterday.

More than 20 British women and children disembarked here from the liner yesterday, but about 12 left the ship at Capetown as they were told they would not be permitted to land at Hongkong. As the news of Hongkong's evacuation was received after the liner left England, there was some consternation, and frantic cables were sent to husbands in Hongkong as soon as Capetown was reached.

"After inspecting the fine schools in Capetown and making enquiries, mothers considered that the cost of living was much less in South Africa than in Hongkong, and probably lower than in Australia. They liked the climate and the country immensely," one passenger said.

The liner originally left England with more than 600 passengers, of whom about 150 were women and children.

Stubbs Road Bridge

Temporary Structure Commenced

Work has commenced on the construction of a temporary bridge across the subsidence which has rendered Stubbs Road impassable above Magazine Gap. Yesterday afternoon the Public Works Department started driving in piles to carry the structures, which Mr. A. E. Lissaman, Chief Engineer, has decided to erect in view of the long process entailed in restoring the road to a condition fit for traffic.

The bridge will be a sturdy one of timber, with steel joists, and it is hoped to make it strong enough to carry all the traffic that normally uses the road. The weight-carrying capacity will not be known, however, until the foundations have been proved.

News of this prospect of reopening the roadway will be welcomed by everybody affected. The road serves the greater part of the Peak district, including two hospitals—the Matilda and War Memorial—and normally carries much military traffic as well.

H.E. THE GOVERNOR

His Excellency the Acting Governor is in residence at Mountain Lodge until further notice.

LONDON, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—A Calcutta message states that the East India Fund has cabled the Air Ministry a sum of £88,000.

POST OFFICE

AIR MAIL SERVICE

The air mail postage to U.S.A. and Canada by Pan-American Airways has been increased to $3.50 per ½ ounce with effect as from August 2. The air mail rates to other American countries etc. via Pan-American Airways have also been increased and a schedule of rates is exhibited in the General Post Office.

The following air mail services are at present available to the United Kingdom (the words in brackets being the superscription required):

By Imperial Airways to Durban and onwards by sea, $1.15 per ½-oz., (via Imperial to Durban).

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By Pan-American Airways to U.S.A. and onwards by sea, $3.50 per ½-oz., plus 15 cents per oz., (via P.A.A. to U.S.A.).

All air mail correspondence must bear the blue air mail label.

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

OUTWARD MAIL TIMES

Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day. When mails are advertised to close after 8 p.m., Registered and Parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m.

INWARD MAILS

Japan, Shanghai and Formosa Aug. 10.
Japan and Shanghai Aug. 10.
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U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai (Seattle date 9th July). Aug. 10.
Japan and Shanghai Aug. 11.
Sandakan Aug. 11.
London and Straits Aug. 11.
Shanghai and Amoy Aug. 11.
Straits Aug. 11.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Service" **Aug. 12.**
Haiphong Aug. 12.
Shanghai Aug. 12.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 6th August. **Aug. 13.**
Haiphong Aug. 13.
Shanghai and Amoy Aug. 13.
Shanghai Aug. 13.
U.S.A. and Manila (San Francisco date 20th July) Aug. 13.
London and Straits Aug. 14.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Service" **Aug. 15.**
Japan and Shanghai Aug. 15.
Shanghai Aug. 15.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco date, 20th July). Aug. 17.
Shanghai Aug. 17.
Calcutta and Straits Aug. 18.
Japan and Formosa Aug. 18.
Shanghai and Amoy Aug. 18.
Japan Aug. 20.
Java and Manila Aug. 20.
Shanghai Aug. 20.

OUTWARD MAILS

Saturday, August 10

Saigon, Madang, Salamaua, Rabaul, Australia and New Zealand via Sydney.

G.P.O. and K.P.O.

Parcels 1.00 p.m.
Reg. 2.45 p.m.
Ord. 3.30 p.m.

Parcels only for Straits, Ceylon, India and United-Kingdom.

G.P.O. and K.P.O.

Parcels Aug. 10, 4 p.m.

Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Lisbon and United-Kingdom.

G.P.O. and K.P.O.

Reg. Aug. 10, 5 p.m.
Ord. Aug. 10, 5.30 p.m.

Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Service" to Indo-China, Durban and thence by Sea Service to United-Kingdom.

G.P.O. & K.P.O.

Reg., ... Aug. 10, 5 p.m.
Ord., ... Aug. 10, 5.30 p.m.

Shanghai, ... 5.30 p.m.

Sunday, August 11

Fort Bayard 9 a.m.

Monday, August 12

Amoy 8.30 a.m.
Shanghai 10.30 a.m.
Haiphong Noon.
Fort Bayard 12.30 p.m.
Shanghai. 12.30 p.m.
Bangkok 2.30 p.m.

Tuesday, August 13

Batavia and Sourabaya 8.30 a.m.
Saigon 4.30 p.m.
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A., and Europe via "Pan American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services."

K.P.O.

Reg. Aug. 13, 5 p.m.
Ord. Aug. 13, 5.30 p.m.

G.P.O.

Reg. Aug. 13, 5 p.m.
Ord. Aug. 13, 7 p.m.

Air Mail for Indo-China, Malaya, Java and Australia by the "Imperial Airways Service."

K.P.O.

Reg. Aug. 13, 5 p.m.
Ord. Aug. 13, 5.30 p.m.

G.P.O.

Reg. Aug. 13, 5 p.m.
Ord. Aug. 13, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, August 14

Fort Bayard and Holhow ..10.30 a.m.
Straits 10.30 a.m.
Amoy and Shanghai 12.30 p.m.
Formosa, Shanghai and Japan 3.30 p.m.

Thursday, August 15

Shanghai 12.30 p.m.
Haiphong 2 p.m.

Friday, August 16

Shanghai 9 a.m.
Sandakan 12.30 p.m.
Saigon and Bangkok 7 p.m.
Straits, Rangoon and Calcutta Parcels Aug. 16, 5 p.m.
Letters ... Aug. 17, 9.30 a.m.

Saturday, August 17.

Shanghai and Parcels only for Tientsin 9.30 a.m.
Manila 5.30 p.m.

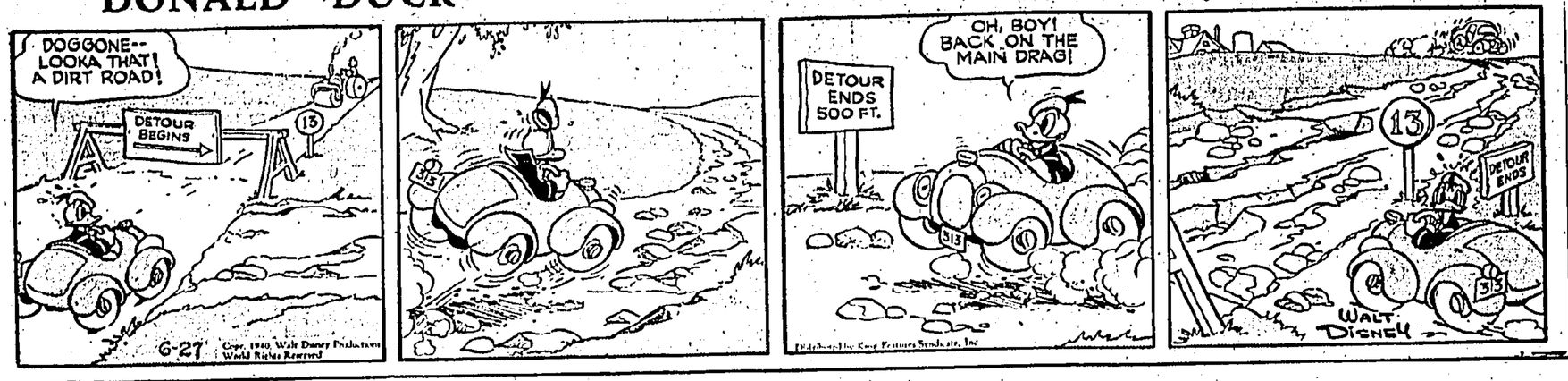
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Haiphong Noon.

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By Walt Disney



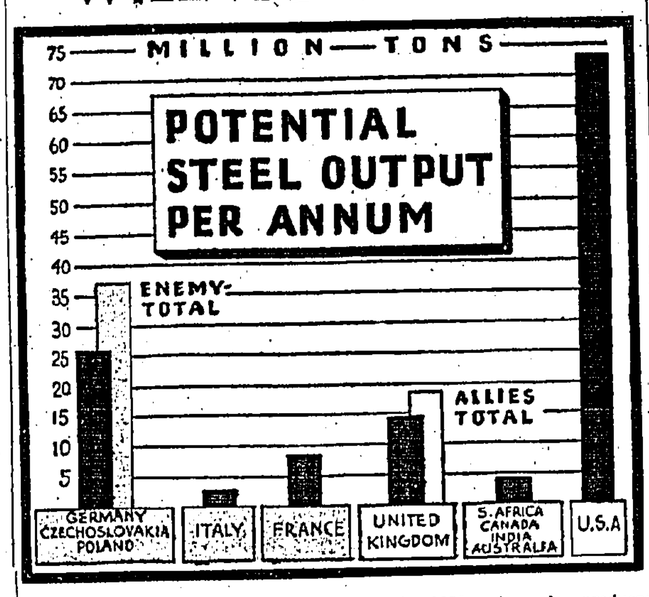
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Letter Puzzle

How many words beginning with the letter shown can be applied to this unusual collection of figures, objects, animals, etc.? A car should reveal more than 40. Check your results with the list appearing elsewhere on this page.

AMERICAN MUNITIONS WILL BE DECISIVE



THE concentrated weight of the German war machine proved too much for France's gallant armies. But while the cause of the Allies has suffered a staggering blow, it is not yet lost.

Grave are the decisions which will have to be taken by the Government. And among the many factors which will have to be taken into consideration, none is more important than the magnitude of the material assistance which we can expect from America and the rate at which it can be increased from its present level.

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On the basis of her steel supplies, which is a rough and ready measure of the weight of metal which can be employed on the battlefield, America's war *potential* is enormous. Even in 1939, when she produced crude steel well below her capacity, her output was considerably bigger than that of Germany (and the countries controlled by her) and Italy whose industries went all out in that year.

If Germany were able to obtain control over France's steel industry and if her own output and those of Italy could be maintained—which is doubtful—her steel supplies would be roughly double those of the United Kingdom and the Dominions.

But, as the accompanying diagram shows, even then she would not be able to produce much more than one-half the steel America can manufacture. At the end of 1935 America's crude steel producing capacity was rated at no less than 73 million tons per annum.

America's other manufacturing resources are in proportion to her steel-producing capacity. In 1929, for example, she produced nearly 5½ million motor vehicles, whereas the outputs of Britain and France have never appreciably exceeded one-half of a million and one-quarter of a million vehicles per annum.

Germany and Italy, in their best year up to 1938, never produced more than 350,000 and 75,000 motor vehicles respectively. America also possesses other big metal industries adapted to mass production methods, and the size of her engineering industry proper is far greater than that of any other country.

If America's metal industries were to be turned over to the manufacture of aircraft, tanks, guns and other engines of war, the weight of the resulting output, *if it could be effectively employed*, would be sufficient to blow to pieces any combination of possible enemies. There can be no doubt about that.

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It is, of course, true that the decisive factor at the moment is not so much America's potential munition-producing capacity as the date at which she can change over from the manufacture of motor-cars, typewriters and other metal goods to that of aircraft, tanks and guns.

Once she had made up her mind to go all out, however, her munitions output is likely to expand at an astonishing rate and put that of Germany and Italy into the shade. She has all the organisers, the skilled labour and the raw materials she needs. Members of the Ford concern, for example, are reported to have put it on record that, after six months of preparation, that concern could turn out one thousand standardised aeroplanes per day.

WALTER HILL.

It Has Been Said of Ignorance—

To be proud of learning is the greatest ignorance.—Jeremy Taylor.

Nothing is so indicative of deepest culture as a tender consideration of the ignorant.—Emerson.

If thou art wise, thou knowest thine own ignorance; and thou art ignorant if thou knowest not thyself.—Luther.

It is with nations as with individuals, those who know the least of others think the highest of themselves.—Colton.

Have the courage to be ignorant of a great number of things, in order to avoid the calamity of being ignorant of everything.—Sydney Smith.

Ignorance is a prolonged infancy, only deprived of its charm.—Boufflers.

A man is never astonished or ashamed that he does not know what another does; but he is surprised at the gross ignorance of the other in not knowing what he knows.—Haliburton.

Nothing is so good for an ignorant man as silence; and if he was sensible of this he would not be ignorant.—Saadi.

There is no slight danger from general ignorance; and the only choice which Providence has graciously left to a vicious government is either to fall by the people, if they are suffered to become enlightened, or with them, if they are kept ignorant.—Coleridge.

To an Airman Killed Flying

Thus the wild swan, wing-weary from his flight,
Wounded and lurching through the leaden sky,
Strikes on a sudden a strange shaft of light
And falls in a slow glory down to die.

RUTH EVANS.

YOU THINK YOU KNOW BUT ARE YOU CERTAIN?

Of course you told your friends that you had all the questions right in last Saturday's quiz. Liar! But this is your chance to try again. Remember, two points for each correct answer, anything more than 46 isn't true and anything below 26 isn't talked about. The answers are on this page.

1. Why, if mercury is liquid, will it not wet paper?
2. How would you decide whether or not a man was a gentile?
3. Which is the largest peninsula in the world?
4. Where did God place man after He had created him?
5. Would you be more likely to feel, taste or hear a salvo?
6. Is it correct to say, *He has a thoroughbred herd of cattle?*



7. I am known to you all. Some of you think I'm hardboiled, but I'm really thin-skinned. I'm noted for my baldness. I once sat in a high place but one day the crash came. I received royal aid, but it was too late. I was ruined. Who am I?
8. What have a fez, a sombrero and a toque in common?
9. How much is five times three times zero times seven divided by four?
10. Which indicates a greater time lapse, biennial or biannual?
11. What are H. G. Wells first two names?
12. Which President of the United States lost a son in the World war?
13. Which is the country of the *Sacred White Elephant?*
14. Before a ship is given pratique, is she (1) put into drydock (2) searched for contraband (3) medically inspected?
15. What have H2SO4, HCl, and HNO3 in common?
16. Where, besides on a crow, would you look for crow's feet?
17. Which can be transformed into finer quality paper, wood or rags?
18. What did Nijinsky, Pavlowa and Isadora Duncan have in common?
19. *The ——— that men do lives after them.*
20. A fish that has been caught once and thrown back into the water will never bite again. (true, false)
21. What causes rust to gather in the cooling system of an automobile?
22. At what pass did Leonidas repel the invading forces of Xersex?
23. Which side of the body does the right side of the brain control?
24. How many masts has a brig?
25. What is a breaker of images called?

ANSWERS

1. Because its density is greater than that of paper.
2. Anyone who is not a Jew is a gentile.
3. The Scandinavian Peninsula.
4. In the Garden of Eden.
5. Hear it. A salvo means a round of shots.
6. No. One speaks of pure-bred cattle.
7. Humpty-dumpty.
8. They are all headgear of one sort or another.
9. Zero.
10. Biennial means every two years. Biannual means twice a year.
11. Herbert George.
12. Theodore Roosevelt's son Quentin was killed.
13. Siam.
14. (3) medically inspected.
15. They are all acids. H_2SO_4, is sulphuric acid, HCl is hydrochloric acid and HNO_3 is nitric acid.
16. Rags.
17. On the face of a human being.



18. All were famous dancers.
19. The evil that men do lives after them.
20. False.
21. The oxygen present in the water rusts the metal.
22. Thermopylae.
23. According to most theories it controls the left side of the body.
24. Two.
25. An iconoclast.

The Volunteers

Corps Orders For The Coming Week

Orders by Lieut-Colonel H. B. Rose, M.C., Commandant, Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps.

1. Recruits Medical Examination
Fri. Aug. 16 H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Orderly Medical Officer—Lt. G. T. Balcan.

2. Parades

(a) Corps Artillery:
i. Dress for all day training for all other ranks, coast defence batteries. Helmet, Shirt, Shorts, Puttees rolled down, Black Boots, full web-equipment with Haversack, anti-gas respirator, water-bottle filled. Overalls and gun platform shoes to be carried, also steel helmet, spoon, fork, knife, plate and mug.
ii. 1st. Battery.—Tues. Aug. 13 H.Q. 5.30 p.m. B.C.A. LG. Class. Thur. Aug. 15 H.Q. for D'Aguilar 8 a.m.
iii. 2nd. Battery.—Sat. Aug. 10 H.Q. for Bluff Head, 2.30 p.m. Week-end training. Greatcoat to be carried in addition to other articles ordered. Tues. Aug. 13 No parade.
iv. 3rd. Battery.—Thur. Aug. 15 H.Q. for Aberdeen, 8 a.m.
v. 4th Battery.—Sat. Aug. 10 H.Q. for Pakshawan, 2.30 p.m. Week-end training. Greatcoat to be carried in addition to other articles ordered. Tues. Aug. 13 No parade.
vi. 5th. A.A. Battery:—Tues. Aug. 13 (i) No. 1 Section, H.Q. 7.30 a.m. Full day's training. Dress—Helmet, shirt, trousers, boots, full web-equipment including haversack and waterbottle (filled), steel helmet over left shoulder; spare shirt, overalls to be carried in haversack as well as knife, fork and plate. (ii) No. 2 Section, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. L. G. Course. Dress—Mufti.
Thur. Aug. 15 No. 2 Section. Full day's training. Details etc the same as for No. 1 Section above.
Fri. Aug. 16 No. 1 Section. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. L. G. Course. Dress—Mufti.
(b) Field Company Engineers:
Mon. Aug. 12 K.C.R. 5.30 p.m. Arms Drill. Dress—Mufti.
Thur. Aug. 15 K.C.R. 8.30 a.m. Technical Training. Dress—Helmet, shirt, shorts, boots, puttees, hosetops.
(c) Corps Signals:
Sun. Aug. 11 Mainland Line Detachment. Reconnaissance.
Mon. Aug. 12 H.Q. 5.15 p.m. All Groups. Signal training.
Wed. Aug. 14 H.Q. 2 p.m. (i) W/T Detachment. Specialist training at Victoria Barracks. (ii) Line Detachments 1 and 2 Area Line Tests. (iii) Line Detachment 3, 4 and 5. Signal training on Murray Parade Ground. (iv) D/R Section. Signal training as detailed. (v) Attachment duties with Royal Signals as per roster. (vi) Evening parade. Lamp reading.
Fri. Aug. 16 H.Q. 2 p.m. (i) W/T Detachment Specialist training at Victoria Barracks. (ii) A Group. Field Training as detailed. (iii) B Group. Signal training on Murray Parade Ground. (iv) Recruits. Signal training at H.Q. (v) D/R Section. Signal training as detailed. (vi) Evening parade. Map reading Classes.
(d) Mobile Column:
Mon. Aug. 12 H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Kit Inspection. All equipment and clothing to be brought. Wed. Aug. 14. The entire personnel of the Mobile Column will parade at Hung Hom as detailed hereunder, unless exemption has been previously granted by O.C. Mobile Column.
Nos. 1 and 2 (Armd Car) Platoons. Vehicle Party—0715 hrs. Remainder—0800 hrs. Dress—Battle order. Overalls, R.T.R. Cap will be carried.
Nos. 3, 4 and 5 (M.M.G.) Platoons. Working Party—0730 hrs. Remainder—0800 hrs. Dress—Battle Order less tin hats. Steel helmet will be worn. Orderly Sergt—Sgt. H. F. Hopkins. Orderly Cpl.—Cpl. S. A. Fowler.
Fri. Aug. 16 Kennedy Road Range: 5.30 p.m. Nos. 1 and 2 (Armd Car) Pins. Revolver Course.
Fri. Aug. 16 Nos. 3, 4 and 5 (M.M.G.) Platoons. (i) Those detailed, Hung Hom, 5.30 p.m. Driving Instructions. Remainder, H.Q. 5.30 p.m.
Notice.—The full day's training on Wed. 21st Aug. is cancelled as a two days' exercise will take place on the 24/25 Aug.
(e). No. 1 Company:
Mon. Aug. 12. All day parade. H.Q. 8.30 a.m. Markers, 8.25 a.m.
Tues. Aug. 13 H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Nos. 1, 2 and 3 Platoons L. G. Training. Recruits squad under Sergt. Edwards.
Fri. Aug. 16 H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Nos. 1, 2 and 3 Platoons. Lecture by Major S. White, R.S. Recruits Squad under Sgt. Edwards.
(f) No. 2 Company:
Tues. Aug. 13 Nos. 5 and 7 Pins. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. No. 6 Pln. Kowloon Dock. Training programme parade No. 12.
Thur. Aug. 15 H.Q. 6 p.m. N.C.O.'s parade.
Sat. Aug. 17 H.Q. 2 p.m. Company parade. Dress as for field day except steel helmets will be worn in place of sun helmets. S.D. Rs. will be carried. Exercise will end Sunday 4 p.m.
(g) No. 3 Company:
Mon. Aug. 12, H.Q. 8.15 a.m. Dress as before. Spare shirt to be taken in haversacks.
Tues. Aug. 13, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Recruits. N.C.Os' Class.
Thur. Aug 15, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Kit Inspection. Dress as before.
(h) No. 4 Company:
Mon. Aug. 12. (i) Nos. 13 and 15 Pins. H.Q. 7.30 a.m. for H.K. men and Kowloon Railway Station 8 a.m. for Kowloon men. Field training at Fanling. (ii) No. 14 Pln. H.Q. 8.30 a.m. Dress same as for last week.
Tues. Aug. 13. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Those detailed for L.G. Recruits, Musketry.
Fri. Aug. 16. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Those detailed for musketry. Remainder L.G. Recruits Musketry.
(i) No. 5 Company:
Mon. Aug. 12, H.Q. 8 a.m. Dress—Same as for last week.
Tues. Aug. 13, H.Q. 5.30 pm. (i) Recruits, E.G.D. (ii) L.G. Section Stripping and Assembling (Elementary) (iii) Remainder. Lecture and Instruction, out of doors, on Method of Fire.
(j) No. 6 Company:
Mon. Aug. 12, H.Q. 8 a.m. Those detailed will report to O.C. No. 5 Coy. Dress, same as for last week.
Tues. Aug. 13, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. N.C.Os' Class.
Fri. Aug. 16, H.Q. 8 a.m. Dress—same as for last week.
(k) No. 7 Company:
Fri. Aug. 16, No parade.
Sat. Aug. 17, p.m. to Sun. Aug. 18, p.m. Beach Manning.
(l) Army Service Corps Company:
Sun. Aug. 11. Murray Parade Ground. 9.30 a.m. Transport Section. Whole day transport exercise. Dress for All Ranks —Shirt, shorts, helmet, boots, puttees hosetops, belt, respirator, Haversack and waterbottle optional. Duty Officer, Captain A. H. Potts. Mon. Aug. 12, to Fri. Aug. 16 inclusive. Transport and Supplies Sections for duty as detailed under unit arrangements. Section Leaders to forward section training programmes to C.S.M. by Mon. Aug. 12.
Thur. Aug. 15, H.Q. 6.30 p.m. Whole Company, L.M.G. Revision of lessons 2 and 3. Holding, Loading, Unloading, Sightsetting, aiming, Firing. S.A.T. Rifle. Lessons 13, 14, 15 and 16. Overalls and sitting positions. Dress—standing and sitting positions. Dress—Overalls and S.D. Caps. C.S.M. will arrange to draw Stores. Duty Section for Transport and Supplies will receive instructions regarding this parade from C.S.M. Duty Officer—Captain Blaker.
Fri. Aug. 16, H.Q. 5.15 p.m. L.M.G. Firing practice. 30 yds. range. Only those detailed for L.M.G. instruction will attend. Dress—Overalls and S.D. Cap.
Duty Officer—Lt. Parsons.
R.T.O. Duty Officers detailed as follows: —Mon. Aug. 12, Captain Blaker, Fri. Aug. 16, Captain Potts. This duty will depend on size of troop movements. Officers detailed will confer with C.S.M.
(m) Field Ambulance:
Tues. Aug. 13. Right Section. H.Q. 8.30 a.m. Under Lt. Stout.
Wed. Aug. 14. Central Section. H.Q. 8.30 a.m. Under Lt. Rodrigues.
Thur. Aug. 15. Left Section. H.Q. 8.30 am Under Lt Balcan. Dress—as for last week.
(n) Pay Section:
Wed. Aug. 14, H.Q. 2.15 p.m. Dress—Mufti.
Fri. Aug. 16, H.Q. 2.15 p.m. Dress—Shirt, shorts, puttees, hosetops, boots, belt, cap.

3. Command

Lieut. L. Goldman assumed the Command of 5th. A.A. Battery with effect from 26.3.40.

4. Appointments and Promotions

Gnr. W. G. Long, 2nd Bty., to be L/Bdr. 9.8.40.; L/Cpl. J. Hempsey, No. 1 Coy, to be Cpl. 9.8.40; Pte. H. Burson, No. 1 Coy. to be L/Cpl., 9.8.40; Pte. G. E. Budden, No. 1 Coy. to be L/Cpl. 9.8.40; L/Cpl. J. A. Santos, No. 6 Coy, to be Pte. 9.8.40; S/Sgt. A. C. Tribble, Pay Section, to be S.Q.M.S., 9.8.40; Sgt. F. G. Maunder, Pay Section to be S/Sgt. 9.8.40; Sgt. F. C. Young, Pay Section, to be S/Sgt. 9.8.40; Pte. W. M. Thomson, Pay Section, to be Cpl., 9.8.40; L/Cpl. W. K. Leung, No. 4 Coy. to be Pte. 9.8.40; Pte. K. H. Goh, No. 4 Coy. to be L/Cpl. 9.8.40.

5. Transfers

Pte. E. G. N. Grimble, A.S.C. Coy., to Unit Reserve, 2.8.40; Gnr. T. Knox, 4th. Bty Res., to A.S.C. Coy. 6.8.40.

6. Leave

Pte. H. Wong, No. 3 Coy. 23.7.40-10.8.40; Sigmn. W. C. Carroll, Corps Signals, 20.7.40-23.1.41; Pte. H. L. Fox, Mob. Col., 31.7.40-13.8.40; Pte. F. G. Ribeiro, No. 6 Coy, 1.8.40-15.8.40; Pte. E. A. Fernandes, No. 6 Coy, 3.8.40-2.9.40; Gnr. A. H. Seemin, 3rd. Bty., 4.8.40 to 10.8.40; F/Sgt. S. Grove, Air Arm, 6.8.40-16.9.40; Major R. D. Walker, Fd. Coy., Engrs, 7.8.40-21.8.40; Major J. P. Sherry, Fort. Sig. Coy, 7.8.40-13.8.40; Pte. J. A. Fisher, A.S.C. Coy. 7.8.40 31.8.40; L/Bdr. P. F. Cathrew, 5th A.A. Bty, 9.8.40-8.9.41; Pte. Martin-Gold, A.S.C. Coy, 9.8.40-25.8.40; Sgt. E. A. R. Fowles, A. S.C. Coy, 9.8.40-9.12.40; Cpl. W. Elliott, Fd. Amb., 9.8.40-24.8.41; Pte. D. F. Hughes, No. 1 Coy, 12.8.40 to 11.9.40; Sgt. E. Zimmern, No. 3 Coy, 13.8.40 to 12.9.40; C.Q.M.C. R.E. Stott, No. 4 Coy. 17.8.40-10.12.40. Pte. R. J. Cloake, Training Cadre, 10.8.40-11.8.40.

7. Strength Decrease

Gnr. T. S. Khaw, 5th A.A. Bty, 113.7.40; L/Cpl. E. A. Bompas, No. 4 Coy, 5.8.40; Pte. Dr. A. J. Stephen, 1st, Bty, 18.7.40; Pte. Chan Kam-chuen, No. 4 Coy, 19.7.40; Pte. Lau Kam-wing, No. 4 Coy, 24.7.40; Pte. A. D. Williams, Fd. Ambulance, 31.7.40; Pte. S.C.N. Chau, Fd. Ambulance, 5.8.40.

8. Strength Increase

Gnr. C. K. Au, 5th A.A. Bty, 2.8.40; Gnr. S. Fung, 5th A.A. Bty, 2.8.40; Gnr. B. H. A. Hoypoy, 5th A.A. Bty, 2.8.40; Gnr. L. H. A. Ongstad, 2nd Bty, 8.8.40; Gnr. R. J. Adwell, 4th Bty, 8.8.40; Pte. W. F. Cullen, A.S.C. Coy, 6.8.40; Sigmn. W. J. Richards, Corps Signals, 7.8.40; Gnr. T. J. Gould, 2nd Bty, 1.8.40; Gnr. W. Y. Lai, 4th Bty, 2.8.40; Pte. J. Read, No. 3 Coy, 2.8.40.

E. N. THURSBY, Captain,
Adjutant, H.K.V.D.C.

NOTICE

An extraordinary meeting of the Sergeants' Mess Committee will be held in the Sergeants' Mess on Tuesday Aug. 13 at 5.30 p.m.

AFFILIATED UNIT

Nursing Detachment, H.K.V.D.C.

1. Home Nursing Lectures

Mon. Aug. 12. St. John's Cathedral Hall, 5.30 p.m.

2. Practical Class

Wed. Aug. 14. Military Hospital, Bowen Road. Transport arrangements are as follows:—Non-office workers—Vol. H.Q. 2.15 p.m. Office workers—Queen's Pier. 4.15 p.m. Members are requested to adhere strictly to these arrangements in order to avoid over-crowding.

3. First Aid Lecture

Fri. Aug. 16. St. John's Cathedral Hall. 5.30 p.m.

4. Attachment

The following members were attached to the Military Hospital, Bowen Road, for training during the period shown:—Mrs. W. Whittaker, 27.7.40-5.8.40; Miss O. B. Green, 27.7.40-5.8.40; Miss E. M. Parkers, 2.77.40 5.8.40.

5. Leave

Miss O. Owen, 1.8.40-30.9.40; Mrs. H. Dowbiggin, 1.9.40-25.12.40.

6. Strength Decrease

Miss A. F. J. Dowbiggin, 9.9.40.

LT.-COL. BRAUND, Commandant,
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OCTOBER PRODUCTION

Y.M.C.A. Dramatic Club To Play "White Cargo"

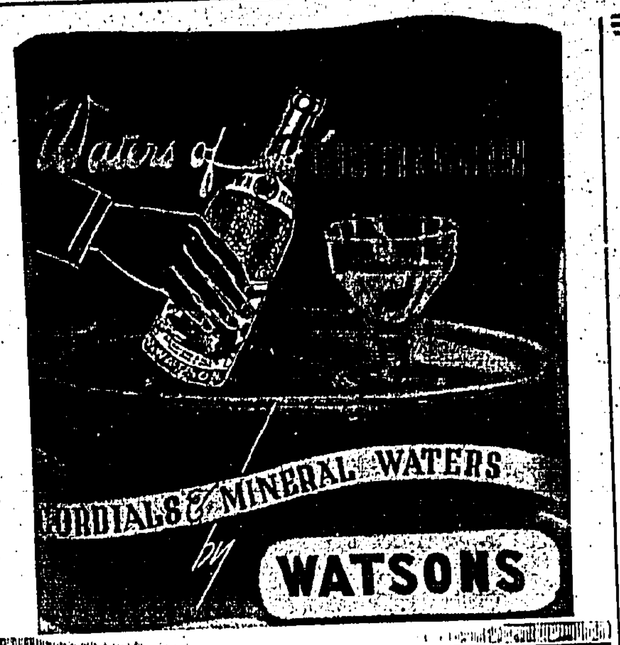
In spite of the numerous calls on the time of the remaining European population in the Colony the European Y.M.C.A. Amateur Dramatic Club is determined to remain active and will present a new play early in October.

The piece chosen is the well-known drama "White Cargo." The first move will be made at 9 p.m. on Monday and Tuesday, August 12 and 13, in the West Lounge of the Y.M.C.A. when members interested in taking part are invited to be present for a brief reading to enable the casting committee to survey the material available and make a preliminary casting.

Major W. de B. Wood, whose direction made such a commendable offering of "The Housemaster," will be in charge of production.

Letter Puzzle Answers

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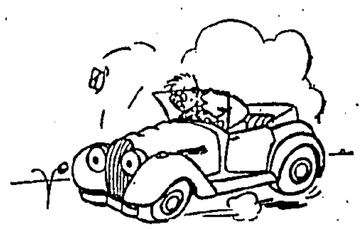
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Britain In China

The announcement that the British garrisons in Shanghai, Tientsin and Peiping are to be withdrawn is not altogether unexpected. It confirms once again the wisdom of the Home Government in ordering the evacuation of women and children from Hongkong. Like the evacuation, the decision to withdraw the British forces from North China is not motivated by any considerations of immediate emergency. Rather, it is a long-range decision, ensuring that any emergency that may arise will not find Britain at a disadvantage if there is occasion for bargaining.

Japanese penetration southwards has for some time made it clear that Britain's forces in North China, both naval and military, could count on no support in the event of an emergency. Weihaiwei was more or less abandoned as a naval base before the outbreak of war in Europe; the British garrison at Tientsin, one Company excepted, was withdrawn shortly after the outbreak of war in Europe and, in Shanghai, the British patrol area in the International Settlement has been rendered more or less untenable by the encroachment of the Japanese.

The truism that union is strength is no better illustrated in the military sense than in the Far East. Any emergency that would arise would find the British forces scattered and weak. But an additional two battalions to the garrison in Hongkong would aid in making this Colony impregnable to the extent that an enemy would hesitate more before launching an attack. It will be recalled that the pre-War re-fortification plan for Hongkong drawn up by Major General Bartholomew envisaged the military strength of the Colony being brought up to six battalions of Regulars, plus a greatly augmented Volunteer Corps. Should the battalions now stationed in Shanghai be transferred to Hongkong, as seems likely to be the case, the Bartholomew Plan will be completed.

Hongkong has witnessed an unparalleled degree of military preparedness during the past three years—all part of the re-fortification plan laid down after the Japanese abrogated the Washington Treaty and paved the way for the security of the Colony (under the Washington Treaty Hongkong could not be re-fortified). This activity has been completed—we have the guns, we have the forts and all we need now are the two battalions of troops Major General Bartholomew laid down as being necessary for the proper defence of the Colony.

The withdrawal of British troops from North China will doubtless cause dismay in Shanghai and anxiety in Washington. But to Hongkong the move should be a welcome one. It will permit Britain to further consolidate her position here and remove any danger that another Power retains the bargaining power the presence of inadequate forces in North China gives. If we look at the evacuation from Hongkong of our women and children in this light—that their presence here constitutes a greater menace than their withdrawal to a place of safety and that by their withdrawal we rob a potential aggressor of a weapon that can become mightier than the sword—we have reason to be thankful that there are men at the head of affairs who have sufficient acumen to look far enough ahead into the future. In this light (and also in the light of the joyous message received from our correspondent with the evacuees who arrived in Brisbane yesterday) temporary inconveniences attendant upon the initial stages of the evacuation are best forgotten; our feelings now should be one of relief, coupled with the determination that the people of this part of the British Empire are now ready and prepared to render any service they may be called upon to offer to the Cause in future.

MUSSOLINI ALWAYS HAD HIS EYE ON RICH EGYPT

IN the early days of the last war when British, French and German armies were deeply engaged in Flanders and France, a sudden voice of distraction came from the city of Beersheba.

It was a braggart Turkish commander giving marching orders to his troops. "Before you is the craven enemy," cried Jemal Pasha, "behind him the rich lands of Egypt. If you falter death will overtake you, but, beyond, paradise lies."

The army stood facing the desert of Sinai, which divided them from their goal, the Suez Canal, and perhaps the prospect already dried their tongues. No Moses travelled with them, able to smite water from the rocks. They marched towards their prize, dragging with them hundreds of pontoon boats filled with water.

They fought and were driven back, still dragging with them the precious diminished cargoes of water. Desert, sand and thirst had worked as the allies of the British armies and had helped to keep Suez in English hands.

To-day another voice of distraction comes from Rome. The goal is the same. Desert, sand and thirst and a great Allied army still stand athwart the path.

Yet, now that Mussolini is at war, the attack on Egypt becomes an immediate possibility. Without Egypt he is cut from his colony in Abyssinia. Without Egypt he is cut from his trade through Suez.

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TWENTY-EIGHT years ago other Italians with Imperialist ambitions looked southwards to the African coastline bordering the Mediterranean Sea. Egypt was under effective British control, Tunis was French. Wedged between the two were the uninviting sands of Libya.

Italian soldiers and sailors wrested this territory from the nominal tutelage of the Turks, but they went in search of strategic, not material, gains.

"We knew it was no Eden," said an Italian Minister of the time, "but we went there so as to be able to breathe in our own sea."

To-day, inevitably, the Italian Dictator looks from the place that is no Eden to the paradise beyond. He has been looking that way for many years. He has always hoped for great things from Libya.

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FROM the start it was a strange and mysterious enterprise. A good tarred road was constructed along the whole shore from Tunis to Egypt. Neither the French in Tunis nor the Egyptians counted it worth while to continue the road in their own territories, but in Libya, apparently, easy manoeuvre from east to west was an advantage to be gained at whatever price.

Money was prodigally spent. Some two-thirds of the Colony's expenditure was met from the not always well-stocked Exchequer of the Italian Government. Colonists were imported. Military, naval and air bases were constructed. Increased food production was encouraged by heavy subsidies.

"I could do ten times more with the money in Sicily," said the Libyan farmer.

Yet there was reason in this apparent generosity towards the Cinderella of the North Africa colonies, as the years 1935 and 1937 proved.

On each occasion when trouble stirred in the Mediterranean Italian forces massed in Libya were able to cause some uneasiness in Egypt and Tunis. Mussolini himself stepped ashore at Tripoli and declared himself the protector of Islam. The huge investment of real wealth paid diplomatic dividends, and when Britain made a treaty with Italy the strength of the garrison in Libya provided one of the main items of negotiation.

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NOW look at the map. Along the western borders of Libya on the Tunis frontier a deep system of defences has been built. Italy, it seems, has little intention of making a direct assault on Tunis despite all the shoutings of the students in Rome.

Far different is the situation on the eastern frontier. At Derna troops are stationed in great barracks; there is a plentiful supply of drinking water.

One hundred miles eastward lies the modern naval base of Tobruch. It commands the 200-mile strip of sea between the African coast and Crete. But drinking water is scarce. It must be brought from Derna.

One hundred miles eastward again, at Bardia, is another garrison; their water, too, must come from Derna. A few miles further on comes the Egyptian frontier, and a hundred miles beyond, guarding the coastal road with barbed wire, entrenchments and all modern fortifications, stands the Egyptian fort of Mersa Matruh. This is the high road, the only road, for an army striking at Suez. Even at the gates of the first obstacle—Mersa—Matruh—the invaders would have had to tug their water 300 miles and more.

BUT the Italian Dictator, it seems, is no more overawed than was Jemal Pasha 25 years ago. By great expense and exertion he has sought to transform the area round Derna and Tobruch into an arsenal of war. In great measure he has succeeded.

In May 1939 General von Brauchitsch, now commander-in-chief of the German armies, came to review his handiwork. He took a quick glance at the defences on the western frontier and then drove along the great new road to watch the more interesting spectacle staged for his benefit in the east.

He watched the exercises of troops and tanks and motorised units such as the Italians had used in speedy successful manoeuvre against Abyssinia. He visited five first-class military air-fields. He reviewed a garrison which was already twice the size of that needed to defend the colony.

He saw a system of military aviation which, at that time at least, was better than anything the French in Tunis and the British in Egypt could muster together. He watched the construction of enormous military depots packed with stores and artillery. He met Marshal Balbo, Governor of the Province, the man whose eyes were said to glisten at the mention of Suez.

No doubt he also realised that sandy deserts were not the best fields for the operation of tanks and motors. No doubt he recognised that that slender road along the coast could be bombed from the air and shelled from the sea. No doubt he estimated the difficulties of importing petrol across submarine infested seas into this barren land. No doubt he realised the dangers of mechanised war in the heat of Africa, the restraints imposed by the sweat inside the tanks. Perhaps even someone mentioned to him the sore topic of water.

Just at the time of this visit a military pact had been signed between the two Axis Powers at Milan. How high up on the agenda figured those accumulating offensive forces in the north-eastern corner of Mussolini's barren, expensive province?

We may soon know. Two hundred thousand white troops are not massed in Libya merely to impress the Senussi.



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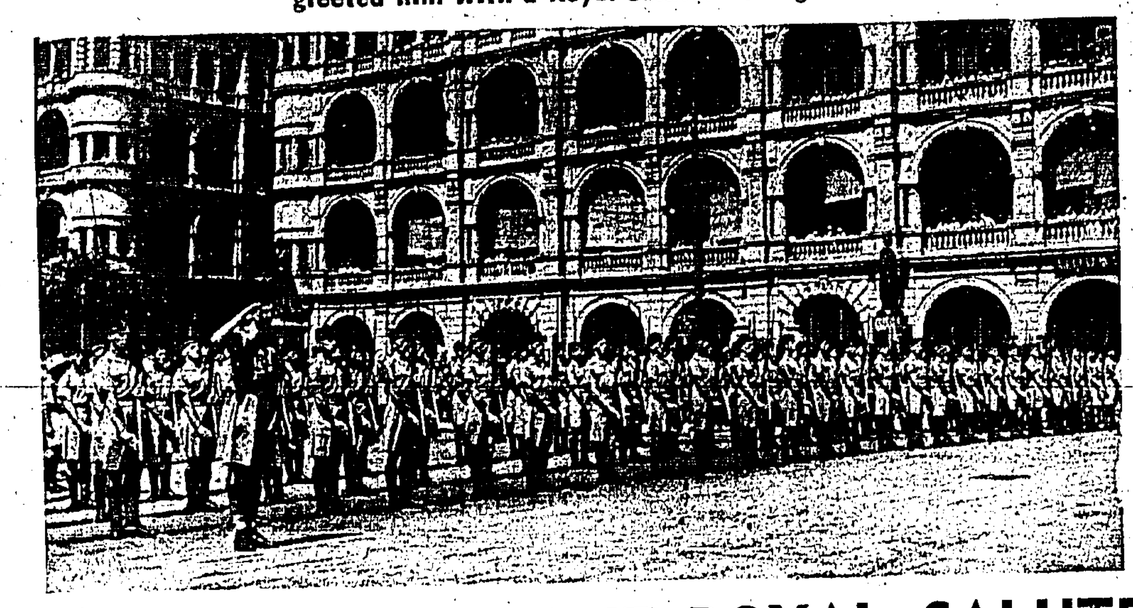
THE NEW GOVERNOR ARRIVES,

The New Acting Governor of Hongkong, Lieutenant General E. F. Norton, arrived in the Colony on Tuesday. The Guard of Honour, drawn from the Royal Scots, greeted him with a Royal Salute.—Ming Yuen.



INSPECTS GUARD OF HONOUR

The New Governor (in civilian clothes) inspected the Guard of Honour lined up on the Praya near Queen's Pier. The Mobile Section of the Volunteers acted as escort to Government House.—Ming Yuen.



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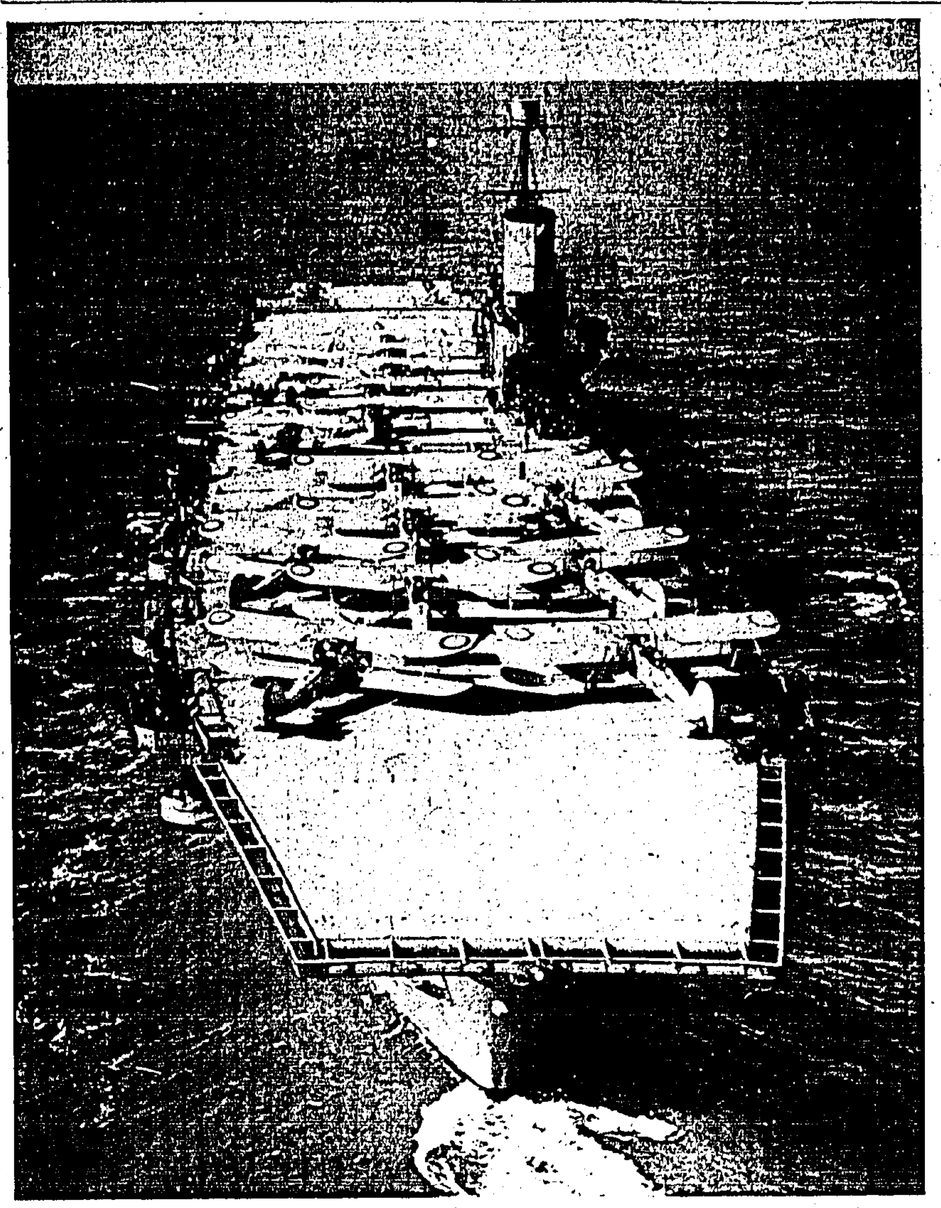
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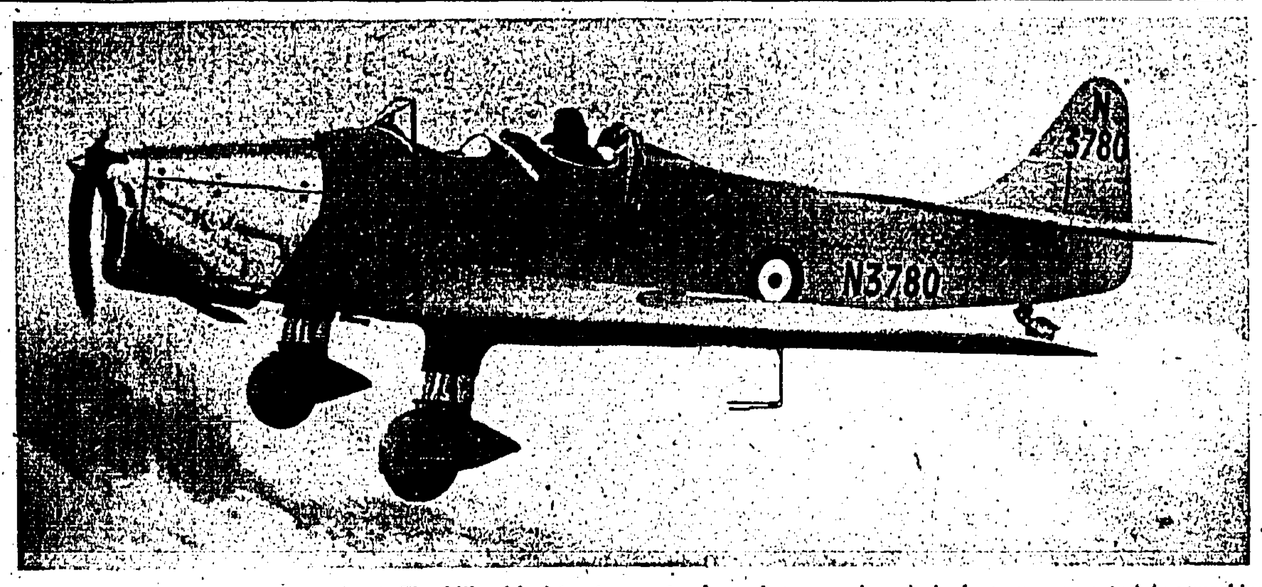
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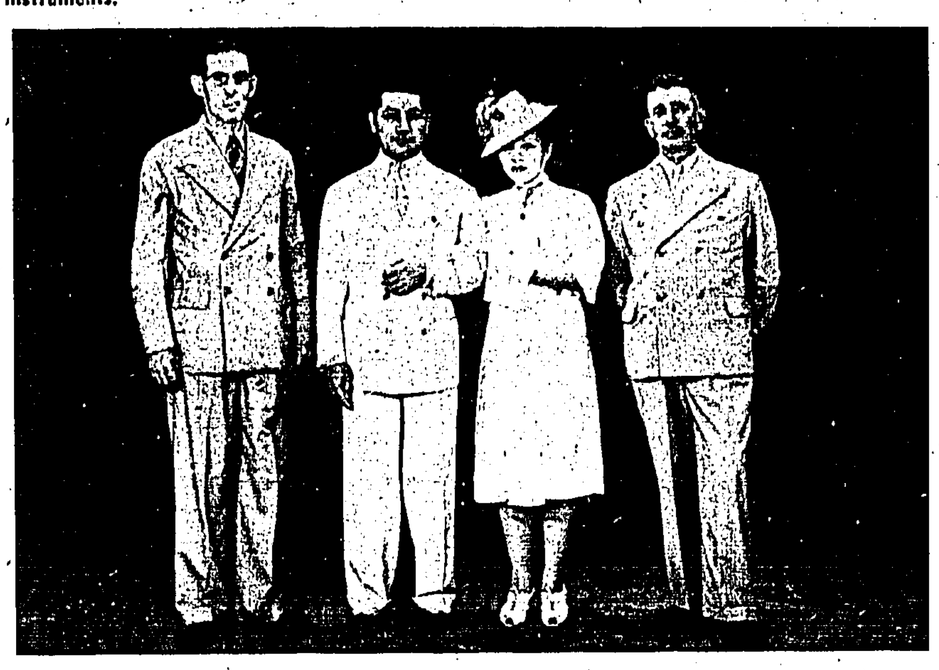


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SOUZA—PINEDA WEDDING

Mr. P. Pineda, well-known dance band leader, and Miss O. C. Souza were married at the Registry last week. Also in the picture are Mr. H. J. Thompson of the naval yard and Mr. Long.—Ming Yuen.



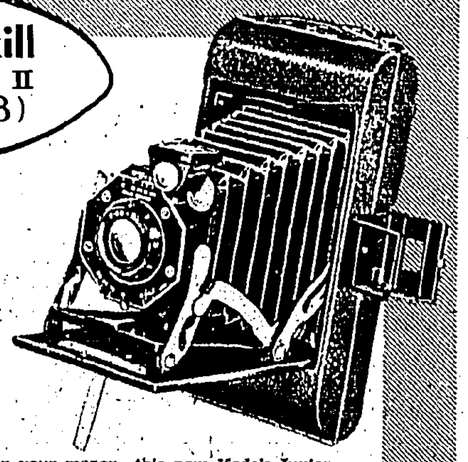
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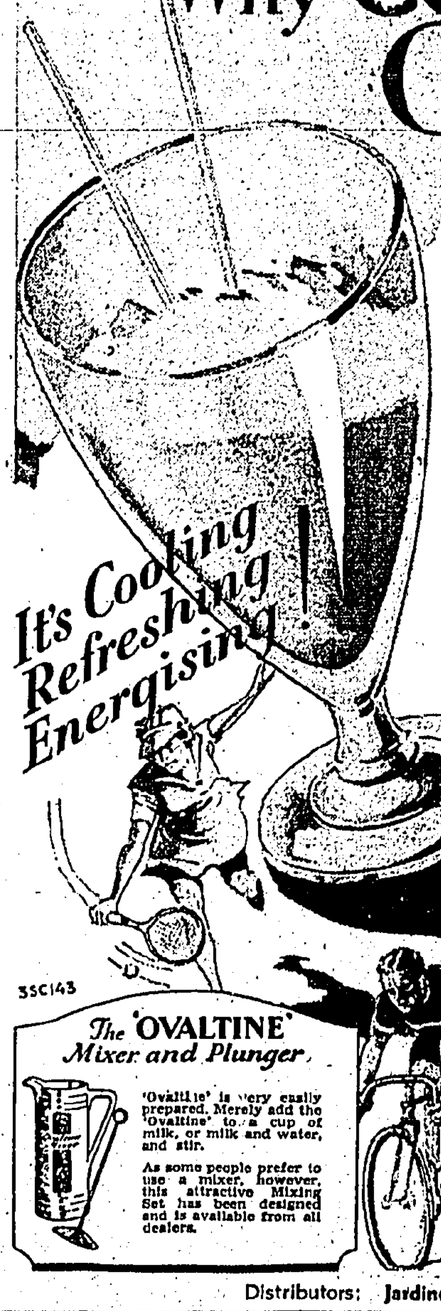
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• M.C. for Officer Who Broke • Up Attack Single-handed

FORTY-FIVE more awards by the C.-in-C., B.E.F., announced by the War Office, include 15 M.C.s.

Lieut. P. H. Gordon, R.E., wins his for completing the demolition of a bridge, one end of which was held by the enemy.

With great determination Lieut. Gordon led out a small party of sappers at dawn and, in full view of the Germans, they placed charges and blew up the bridge.

Another M.C. is **2nd Lieut. R. J. Hyde-Thomson,** Durham L.I. All the men in his post were killed or wounded and the enemy called on him to surrender. He shot the enemy leader, dispersed the remainder by throwing a hand grenade and managed to escape to a flank. Here he was able to aid in organising a counter-attack.

Later in the same day he brought in a wounded man under heavy fire.

2nd Lieut. J. A. L. Peebles, Dorset Regt., swam two branches of a canal three miles south of Estaires to find places where it was possible for troops to wade across.

2nd Lieut. D. F. Callander, Camerons, commanded a platoon of anti-tank guns which put 25 Nazi tanks out of action; he, too, gets the M.C.

One of the 12 D.C.M.s is **P. S. M. Milligan,** Camerons. His skill and leadership meant the capture of two machine-guns and 15 prisoners. The same night he was in an attack and though wounded five times continued the advance.

C.S.M. A. Stott, also of the Camerons, who was in a company attacking with French tanks, led both parties to the canal bank, guilding the tanks by hitting their sides.

Though wounded, he continued in action until all the enemy had withdrawn to the southern bank of the canal.

Sergt. Baston, R. Berks Regt., was in command of a locality which was subjected to continual shelling and small arms fire for 36 hours.

The loss of this post would have been vital. He held a post until only himself and two other N.C.O.s were left in a fit state to carry on; but the locality was kept intact until they were relieved.

P.S.M. R. Brown, Dorset R. held his forward position during a Nazi onslaught for ten hours despite very heavy shell fire and three strong attacks by the enemy.

On the eventual orders to withdraw P.S.M. Brown extricated his platoon under heavy fire.

P.S.M. S. Brown, Dorset R., was also in command of a forward platoon guarding an important crossing of the La Bassee Canal. This platoon held its original position throughout the day despite being in full view of the enemy and being under constant heavy shell and machine-gun fire.

18 AWARDED M.M.

Eighteen M.M.s are awarded.

One goes to **Corp. R. James,** Royal Dorset Regiment, who commanded a section post in the brewery at the left-hand canal bridge.

During the day several casualties were inflicted on the enemy and the dead were lying in sight on the far bank of the canal. At nightfall Corpl. James and two privates volunteered to swim across the canal and obtain identifications. This he did, with an enemy post only 50 yards away.

Pte. Brooks, The Queen's Regt., wins his for conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty as a dispatch rider throughout the operations and more especially at La Bassee, when he carried dispatches between Battalion H.Q. and Company H.Q. through continuous shelling and small arms fire with total disregard for personal safety—until he was finally blown off his machine by a shell.

C/Cpl. Jackson, Camerons, saved many lives during a tank attack on Battalion H.Q.

When the order to withdraw had been given and the buildings were burning he evacuated many wounded who were lying in the open in front of H.Q.

He carried the men to the rear of the building under heavy machine-gun fire and mortar fire and had them placed on transport.

Lnce.-Corpl. R. L. Lingwood, R. Signals, was in a cable detachment which passed by accident into the enemy lines and was captured.

The detachment was marched away under escort and Lnce-Corpl. Lingwood seized an opportunity in a moment of inattention on the part of the escort to call on his men to escape. They responded instantly and succeeded in rejoining the unit by swimming a canal.

Thus he saved six men (and a party of Belgian soldiers) from capture.

British Losses In Minesweepers

LONDON, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—It is learned authoritatively that the losses of British minesweepers hitherto total 39, compared with the 254 of the whole of the last war, despite the fact that they have now to deal with magnetic, as well as moored mines, and air attacks.

The greater majority lost were trawlers and drifters, and part were lost during the evacuation of Dunkirk when they were carrying troops.

BELFAST, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—Mr. J. F. Gordon, the Minister of Labour, has placed a ban on strikes and lock-outs, in Northern Ireland for the duration of the war and has appointed a tribunal for the settlement of disputes.

The Crystal Palace Towers Are To Go

TWO of London's most famous landmarks, the two 284ft. towers of the Crystal Palace which survived the fire of 1936, are to be removed.

By the end of October demolition will be complete, yielding 1,600 tons of cast iron for war purposes.

The towers, which are visible for miles, were originally erected to support large tanks of water at a height sufficient to give pressure for the working of the many fountains in the Crystal Palace and its grounds.

Provision was also afforded for the public to reach the encircling galleries by 400 steps; later, lifts were installed in the North Tower capable of making the ascent in 30sec.

The view from the eight-floored towers was unparalleled, comprising the whole of London and extending as far as the woodlands of Essex, the downs of Epsom and Windsor Castle.

Sir Henry Buckland, general manager of the Crystal Palace, said: "The contractors have agreed to get the towers down by the end of October; it will be a difficult and dangerous job. When the lower parts are removed police may have to close the road at Anerley Hill.

"Most of the iron will come from the huge tanks of boiler plate, which held 1,570 tons of water."

CANADIAN PILOTS IN ENGLAND

LONDON, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—Mr. Vincent Massey, High Commissioner for Canada, to-day inspected the first Royal Canadian Air Force fighter squadron to reach Britain.

The squadron has hitherto been on coastal duties off Newfoundland and Eastern Canada. It has now come to Britain to complete its training and will shortly begin operational work.

The squadron is drawn from all parts of Canada and includes some men who only speak French.

Mr. Massey extended his heartfelt congratulations to the R.A.F. for its super achievement yesterday.

CALLING UP THE ENGINEERS

LONDON, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—Hundreds of thousands of engineers not at present on war production work are called upon by the Government under the Industrial Registration order to register at employment exchanges.

By this means it is hoped to obtain the names of 300,000 skilled men who will be available for transfer to important government work.

DEFENCE FORCE RE-ASSIGNMENTS

The Government Gazette announces this morning that Mr. Arthur James Kew has been re-assigned from the Combatant Group to the General Group of the Essential Services in the Hongkong Defence Reserve.

Mr. Arthur Edward Jenkins and Mr. George Thomas May have been allowed to quit the Hongkong Defence Reserve with effect from August 6 and August 2 respectively.

MAGNIFICENT GESTURE

LONDON, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—Mr. Garfield Weston, Member of Parliament for Macclesfield, has presented the Minister of Aircraft Production a cheque for £100,000 to build 16 Hurricanes and Spitfires to replace the total British losses in Thursday's air battle over the Channel.

Food Supplies For Greenland

LONDON, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—As a result of the interruption of communications between Denmark and Greenland, a commission has left Greenland for Washington to discuss the possibility of ensuring American food supplies to Greenland, says a Copenhagen telegram to the Italian "Stefani" agency.

Britain Orders U. S. Tanks

WASHINGTON, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—An initial order for a number of monster tanks, weighing 70 tons and mounting 75 millimetre cannons, for the United States Army has been with the Bethlehem Locomotive Company.

Wallace Accepts Nomination

HYDE PARK, August 9 (UP).—President Roosevelt to-day announced that the Secretary of Agriculture, Mr. Henry Wallace has formally accepted the Democratic vice-presidential nomination.

His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has been pleased to recognise, provisionally and pending instructions from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, Mr. Walter Wesselhoeft Hoffmann as a Vice-Consul for the United States of America at Hongkong.

Enemy Alien Trading Firms

British Government Issues New List

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Aug. 9 (UP).—The British Board of Trade to-day issued the ninth revised list of enemy alien firms, both German controlled and Italian controlled, operating in neutral countries.

The list now numbers 1,800 and shows an increase of 250 over the previous list and, for the first time, it includes numerous foreign branches of the Bata Shoe Company.

The South American and Central American countries in which the enemy firms are listed include Argentine with 154, Brazil 98, Chile 55 and Mexico 47.

Far East List

The German and Italian penetration into Spain is reflected in the names of 127 firms in Spain and ten in Spanish possessions while in Portugal there are 69 and in Portugese possessions there are 24.

The Far East list shows 122 alien enemy firms in China—all of them being in Shanghai, 76 in Japan and 20 in Japanese possessions.

No explanation is given as to why firms operating in the United States have been studiously ignored in these lists. The law itself makes no exception of enemy alien firms in the United States but a British trader is forced to make his own enquiries through his bank regarding any possible enemy firms operating there.

Navy Is Growing Stronger

THE balance of Naval strength in favour of the Allies is now far greater than at the outbreak of war.

At the outbreak of war, we had 15 capital ships (one has been lost); 7 aircraft carriers (one lost); 62 cruisers (two lost); 185 destroyers (20 lost); 58 submaries (8 lost); 108 mine-sweepers, sloops, patrol vessels, and gun boats (6 lost).

Since the beginning of the war, said an Admiralty announcement recently, in addition to reinforcements of warships of all classes except battleships, the Navy has been strengthened by more than 50 armed merchant cruisers (one has been lost) and more than 1,500 minor war vessels and auxiliary craft (58 of these have been lost).

During the next few months the Royal Navy will receive a further large increase in strength.

Nearly a million tons of warships are building in British shipyards.

The contrast between German naval weakness and the great and growing strength of the Allied navies has apparently alarmed the German High Command.

This anxiety is shown by German efforts to convince neutral opinion, by the constant issue of groundless claims of naval sinkings, that German air power has achieved a spectacular ascendancy over British naval power.

Concentrated air power, in close proximity to its own aerodromes, can inflict losses on the less strongly armoured naval units. It has signally failed, however, to annul the decisive advantages conferred by sea power.

SALVATIONIST WON'T LEAVE

COMMISSIONER FRANK BARRATT, a Clapton man, is staying on in Paris to continue his work as chief of the Salvation Army in France.

This was learned when a number of Salvationists, including Mrs. Frank Barratt, arrived in England.

Almost sleepless and with little food, they had travelled for 14 days.

Adjutant F. Evans, one of the party to return to England said he was so tired and exhausted that he slept throughout a raid on Bordeaux during which a bomb was dropped in the next street.

Sen. Suner Attends Embassy Dinner

MADRID, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—Senor Serrano Suner, the Spanish Minister for the Interior, who is General Franco's brother-in-law, attended a reception given here by the British Ambassador, Sir Samuel Hoare.

It was the first occasion that he was present at the British Embassy.

THURSDAY'S AIR FIGHT CHECK-UP

Appalling Losses Suffered By Nazis

LONDON, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—The latest check-up shows that in Thursday's air battles the Germans lost 60 machines over the Channel and the Italians 15 over Libya.

Sixteen British fighters were lost in the Channel fighting but three of the pilots are safe, while two British planes failed to return from Libya.

In addition to the 60 planes the Germans lost, many others were badly damaged.

The 60 comprise 24 dive-bombers and 36 fighters.

About 400 German planes took part in Thursday's fighting. On the basis of this, the Germans lost one seventh of the planes that they flung into the battle.

Must Have Bad Effect

It is probable, however, that many of the German planes were in action more than once, after re-fuelling and re-arming, so that the actual percentage of loss is higher than one-seventh. Such losses, it is felt in London, cannot fail to have an effect on the morale of the German airmen.

Altogether 400 German planes have been brought down over or around Britain since war began, 326 within the last eight weeks, making a daily average of six.

In the early morning of yesterday, German motor torpedo boats attacked a convoy. One was sunk by a British escort ship and another was damaged. Three British coasters were torpedoed and sunk.

An officer who has landed from one of the coasters says that a swarm of Nazi motor torpedo boats suddenly appeared and his own ship was lifted right out of the water when a torpedo struck it. The entire crew got away in life-boats within three minutes. The men were marvellous, he said.

Another Shot Down

LONDON, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—An Air Ministry and Ministry of Home Security communique states that shortly before mid-day a single enemy aircraft crossed the north-east coast of England and dropped a number of high explosive bombs.

There were a number of casualties, only one of which is fatal.

A.A. guns and R.A.F. fighters engaged the enemy bomber and shot it down into the sea.

EVACUEES THRILLED

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shown by the Australian Government officials who cleared the ship so rapidly in order to allow rapid progress to Brisbane."

These opinions express the sentiments prevailing throughout the ship.

Another pleasing feature is that the future comfort of the evacuees is provided for in the disembarkation plans which provide for all to go direct to suitable guest houses, thus abolishing the need for clearing camps.

Those Who Disembarked

**According to the official passenger list supplied by the British Consul General in Manila, the following passengers aboard the Dutch liner arriving in Brisbane yesterday were scheduled to disembark at the Queensland capital: Elizabeth Collins, Margaret Mary Collins, Timothy Collins, Joseph Collins, Eugenier Evans, George Evans, Marian Evans, Patricia Evans, Titiana Green, Clara Liang, Marion McInnez, Nellie McLaren, Florence McLaren, Susan McLaren, Ann McLaren, Iris Moran, Olywn Ann, Moran, Ethelwyn Moris, Vera Pearce, Joyce Lillian Perkins, Jeanette Perkins, Margaret Tocher, Alexander Tocher, Martin Tocher, Clausia Wilkins.*

Of these twelve are adults and twelve children.

The last evacuees to leave Manila departed on Thursday, according to private advices received in Hongkong yesterday.

The evacuees ship arriving in Brisbane yesterday will arrive in Sydney at dawn to-morrow, it is learned.

Last Evacuees Leave

Newspapers just received from Manila tell the story of last Monday's re-embarkation of 800 women and children evacuees en route to Australia.

A further 332 women and children left on Tuesday and the last evacuees, 466 women and children, on Wednesday.

The last ship to leave on Wednesday was the crack 23-knot trans-Tasman liner Awatea, which travelled from Australia to pick up the evacuees.

U. S. FACING BIG DEFICIT

WASHINGTON, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—Owing to the increased defence expenditures, the United States now faces a government expenditure of $12,000,000,000 for the fiscal year ending April 30, 1941.

The deficit is estimated at $5,701,000,000.

Mr. Henry Morgenthau, Secretary of the Treasury, gave these figures to the Congress Committee to-day.

Mr. Edmund Collin Luscombe has been appointed an Official Justice of the Peace, it was announced in the Government Gazette this morning.

GIBRALTAR READY

Will Withstand All Enemy Attacks

GIBRALTER, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—As the war in the Mediterranean gathers momentum, the fortress of Gibraltar stands ready for any eventuality from land, sea or air. Italian raiders have already had a taste of Gibraltar's mettle.

Hitherto they had only been able to cross the Rock three times, dropping bombs which caused negligible damage—none at all to military objectives. With the evacuation of thousands of civilians, the Rock is daily assuming a more purely military aspect.

Activity is intense as innumerable men labour in great heat to make Gibraltar even stronger. All the troops are in the highest spirits.

NEW HEBRIDES TO FIGHT

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under Your Excellency's authority and declares its wish to respond to this appeal by sending you all its members capable of bearing arms. The French population begs you to accept this solemn declaration as a binding undertaking to fight with you until final victory.

"Long live immortal France! Long live England!"

General de Gaulle replied, asking the Commissioner to "convey to all men prepared to bear arms and offering themselves for active service my assurance that I will call upon them when the time comes."

Economic Importance

LONDON, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—The view is expressed in London that though New Hebrides is probably one of the smallest parts of the Empire, the declaration is of deep significance.

It is also not without economic importance. Every year the administration exports many millions of tons of copra, cotton, cocoa and coffee which now will be available to Great Britain and her allies.

Inspired by the example of New Hebrides, the adjoining island of New Caledonia shows every sign of shortly declaring itself for General de Gaulle.

DESTINATION OF OUR TROOPS

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the British withdrawal of troops from China would have no effect whatever on the policies of the United States in the Far East.

He said that the decision to retain the Marines in Shanghai, numbering about 1,000, was taken solely upon the responsibility and judgment of the United States Government. The details which have not been decided so far include whether or not the American Marines will take over the defence section which the British are evacuating.

Diplomatic quarters regarded the British move as a precautionary measure on account of the strained Anglo-Japanese relation—such small outposts could not be defended in case of hostilities.

Ottawa Theory

OTTAWA, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—The withdrawal of British troops from China is regarded here as an indication that the Japanese are preparing to apply pressure while Britain is occupied elsewhere, and that Britain is forestalling such a move by concentrating her forces in China in a strategic position.

Canadians are slightly bewildered by the complicated Asiatic situation while Government circles remain tight-lipped on this point.

Washington Reaction

WASHINGTON, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—While recognising that some British troops in China, notably at Peiping, perform no useful purpose, unofficial circles here feel that the withdrawal from Shanghai places a somewhat unfair burden on the American Marines in maintaining peace and order in the International Settlement.

It is pointed out that British interests predominate in the Settlement.

From the viewpoint of general policy, Washington circles contend that anything capable of being interpreted as an appeasement gesture is ill-advised at the present time.

Notified In Advance

Mr. Sumner Welles, the Assistant Secretary of State, at a Press conference to-day said that the United States were advised in advance of Britain's decision, but it would have no effect whatever on the position of the United States in that area.

He added that whether the British action would result in a wider distribution of the American forces now in China was a matter for the local military authorities to decide.

NEW YORK, Aug. 9 (Reuter).—The Federal Grand Jury have uncovered considerable evidence tending to show that patents vital to American war industries are controlled by Germany, stated Mr. Thurman Arnold, Assistant Attorney General, on arrival here from Washington.

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GODOY GOES DOWN — Arturo Godoy, Chilean challenger, down in eighth round of title bout with Joe Louis, in New York. Referee Billy Cavanagh is aiding him after stopping the bout. Louis walks toward his corner, at left.

SCOTTISH FOOTBALLERS SUSPENDED ONE MONTH

Foul Tactics Penalised

FIVE PLAYERS of Scotland's two best-known football clubs, Glasgow Rangers and Celtic, have been suspended for one month from August 10.

The men are A. Venters and J. S. Symon (Rangers), M. Lynch, J. Divers, and M. McDonald (Celtic). The suspensions are the result of incidents in the Glasgow Charity Cup semi-final between the clubs on May 22.

Scottish F.A. Emergency Committee announced that "the conduct of certain players and the spirit shown by sections of spectators of each club was such as to bring the game into discredit.

"They deplored the fact that certain players belonging to clubs of the standing of Rangers and Celtic should descend to foul tactics.

"Rangers and Celtic were informed that the Committee take a serious view of the unsporting conduct of sections of their followers."

Scottish F.A. also announce that A. McSpadyen (Partick Thistle) has been suspended for one month from August 10.

At the next meeting of the Council of the Scottish F.A., a motion will be discussed calling for the abolition of competitive football for the duration of the war or until such time as it is considered wise in the best interest of the country.

Dodgers Nose Out Boston Braves

NEW YORK, Aug. 9 (UP).—Brooklyn Dodgers nosed out the Boston Braves 1-0 in the National Baseball League to-day.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	R	H	E
Brooklyn	1	8	0
Battery: Wyatt, Phelps.			
Boston	0	4	3
Battery: Erickson, Berres, Masi.			

Trains And Buses To Fanling

According to a reliable authority, there is no chance of the line to Fanling being opened for some time owing to further land slides. Although some trains are running and connecting with buses on the further side, it would seem that the latter are all one class and accommodation cannot be guaranteed.

"WICK'S" BOWLS NOTES

League And Championships Behind Schedule

Craigengower Entertain Kowloon B.G.C. To-day: Good Game Expected

LIKE THE REST of outdoor sports in the Colony, lawn bowls has had to take a back seat during the past fortnight. In fact, it must be many years since we have had so much interference from the weather.

Though already in the middle of August, we are only just more than half way through our League programme; we have only reached the quarter-finals of the open rink competition and the third round of the pairs; and have not yet even started on the singles!

At the time of writing, the weather seems to be improving. Let us hope that this improvement will continue. Most of us have got to such a stage that we would prefer the heat to this interminable rain.

To-day's programme includes some interesting matches in each division. In the senior section, the champions will be at home to the Police R.C. and should win; the guardians of the peace are rather weak away from their own green.

The champions' greatest rivals, Craigengower C.C., are also at home. But their opposition, on paper at least, is stronger as they are down to play Kowloon B.G.C., who occupy the third position in the League table.

However, it will need a very good team indeed to beat Craigengower C.C. at Happy Valley; so I rather think the home side will take the points.

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THE match between Civil Service C.C. and Kowloon Docks at the Valley should provide an even tussle with the odds slightly in favour of the home team. Kowloon C.C. and Hongkong F.C., who hold the two bottom positions in the table, will fight it out at Cox's Road. My money is on the cricketers.

The remaining match in the First Division, that between the Indian R.C. and Recreio "B", is down in the programme to be played at Sookunpoo, but, by mutual consent, has been arranged to take place at King's Park. This should be a very even game.

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IN the Second Division, the encounter between Taikoo and Kowloon Tong appears to be the best. Both have been doing well this season. Taikoo, despite their failure in their last home match, ought to take the points.

Craigengower C.C. and Recreio will probably provide the next best game in this division. There should be little in it at the finish.

Kowloon B.G.C. and Kowloon F.C., both of whom are playing at home, against Kowloon C.C. and Civil Service C.C. respectively, ought to take the points.

The eight rinks which have reached the quarter-finals of the open championship will make their third attempt to play off their matches to-morrow on the Civil Service C.C. green. The third time may prove lucky!

Selections For The Sweep

(By "Wick")

The winning margins in the last bowls sweep were 50, 45 and 37. I doubt very much whether any of to-day's matches will be won and lost by such wide gaps.

The three teams most likely to give their drawers the prizes of this week's sweep are, in my opinion:

RECREIO "A" at home against Police R.C. in the First Division;
KOWLOON F.C. at home against Civil Service C.C. in the Second Division; and
HONGKONG ELECTRIC at home against Hongkong C.C. in the Third Division.

TO-NIGHT'S SWIMMING GALAS

Attractions On Both Sides Of Harbour

LARGE CROWDS are expected on both sides of the harbour this evening when at 7.30 p.m. and 9.30 p.m. respectively swimming galas will be held at the European Y.M.C.A. and the Victoria Recreation Club.

At the "Y", a triangular meet between the "Y", Eastern and Chung Sing teams will commence at 7.30 p.m.

At the V.R.C., the Lai Tsun Swimming Club will be entertained at 9.30 p.m.

This latter gala was postponed from last Saturday, and it was only by co-operation between the two Clubs—the "Y" and the V.R.C.—that a clash of times was avoided. The public is now afforded the opportunity of being able to see both events.

At the "Y", there will be no charge for admission, while a nominal entrance fee will be charged at the V.R.C.

THE Hon. Michael Scott, British amateur golf champion in 1932 and captain of the Walker Cup team the next year, was married at Marylebone register office to Miss Marie Madeleine Martinelli. Mr. Scott, youngest son of the fourth Earl of Eldon is 61 and the bride 44.

Lawn Bowls Teams For Games To-day

The following teams have been chosen by the Civil Service Cricket Club and the Hongkong Electric for lawn bowls league matches this afternoon:

CIVIL SERVICE C.C.

1st team v. Kowloon Docks (home, 3.30 p.m.)—
J. Gellatly, A. B. Allan, L. A. Collyer and J. W. Deakin.
A. Sloven, J. Hollidge, J. F. McGowan and A. W. Grimmitt.
C. J. Walker, W. J. Burling, M. N. Rakusen and F. J. Jones.
2nd team v. Kowloon F.C. (away, 3.30 p.m.)—
P. D. Crawley, H. Lord, H. F. Harper and C. Strange.
J. R. Carr, F. S. Austin, E. W. Simmonds and S. Eccleshall.
A. F. Shepherd, E. W. H. Colledge, E. Kirmon and W. R. Hillyer.
Reserves, S. Morris and D. Hollidge.

H.K. ELECTRIC

v. Hongkong C.C. (home, 3.30 p.m.)—
A. G. Gardner, R. A. Owens, H. S. McKay and A. F. Paul.
A. P. Tarbuck, V. Sorby, S. Deacon and J. K. Sloan.
W. Stoker, R. C. Butler, G. T. Padgett and G. C. S. Thomson.
Reserve, C. E. Gahagan.

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FEROCIOUS BAER. This is the front that Max Baer presented to Tony Galento in their heavyweight bout on July 2. Baer won on a T.K.O. in the seventh round.

JAPAN'S TENTH NATIONAL ATHLETIC MEETING

Impressive Opening Ceremony

YOKOHAMA, Aug. 9 (Domei).—Opening the tenth National Athletic Meet held in memory of Emperor Meiji, Founder of modern Japan, and in celebration of the 2,000th. anniversary of the Empire foundation, a number of aquatic events, included in the Meet on an extensive scale for the first time, were contested in Yokohama harbour this morning.

As a further innovation this year, the opening ceremony was conducted afloat, with some 800 school students and sailors of the Japanese Navy aboard various craft, including 80 yachts and cutters.

With the naval band playing the national anthem, the Rising Sun flag was hoisted on the foreshore flagpole, whereupon Mr. Iwata, captain of the Imperial University Yacht Club on behalf of the participants, proceeded to the course aboard the N.Y.K. Hama Maru, bearing the flag for the Meet granted by His Majesty the Emperor.

PRAYERS FOR WAR DEAD

Prayers were then offered for the repose of the war dead and for the safety of officers and men at the front, followed by an act of loyalty addressed to their Majesties the Emperor and Empress, and an act of reverence to the spirit of the late Emperor Meiji and to that of Emperor Jimmu, Founder of the Empire.

The inauguration address was next delivered by the Vice-Chairman of the Athletic Meet, in reply to which representatives of the participants took the oath.

With the ceremony ending at 10.40 o'clock, there was a grand parade of yachts. At noon, the regatta by Middle School students was started, launching the three-day aquatic contests.

To-day's Fixtures

FIRST DIVISION

Recreio "A"	v. Police R.C.
Craigengower	v. Kowloon B.G.C.
Civil Service	v. Hongkong F.C.
Kowloon C.C.	v. Kowloon Docks
*Indian R.C.	v. Recreio "B"

SECOND DIVISION

Craigengower	v. Recreio
Taikoo	v. Kowloon Tong
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Reason Why Wooderson Failed Over Half-mile

SYDNEY WOODERSON, world mile recordholder, was almost five seconds outside L. Becalli's record of 2min. 10sec. in his 1,000 yards run at Manchester Athletic Club's meeting at Fallowfield—but there was a reason.

Owing to war calls, four of the runners who were due to pull Wooderson out were unable to appear—namely, F. Close (Surrey), K. W. Crowe (Manchester A.C.), E. A. Sears (Essex Beagles), and Lc.-Cpl. L. H. Short (Sheff. Untd. Harriers).

A. Holderness, of Salford A.C., the Lancs 440yds champion, and B. R. Fishwick, the Manor Y.M.C.A. steeplechase runner, filled two of the gaps, and the remaining runner was A. Littler, of Pilkington Recreation, the Northern Counties half-mile champion.

Holderness ran a good quarter, but Littler, who is in the R.A.F. and short of practice, was unable to stay the pace.

Thus Wooderson had to run the last 400 yards alone. It was here he failed.

He covered the first 120 yards of the race in 14.5sec., and the next 440 in 57sec., so needing a 58sec. quarter-mile to break record. Unpaced, he took 63.1sec., the full time being 2min. 14.0sec.

Nevertheless, the British champion had the satisfaction of being largely responsible for attracting 5,000 spectators to a meeting that will provide a helpful addition to the "Daily Dispatch" War Fund, which now exceeds a total of £20,000.

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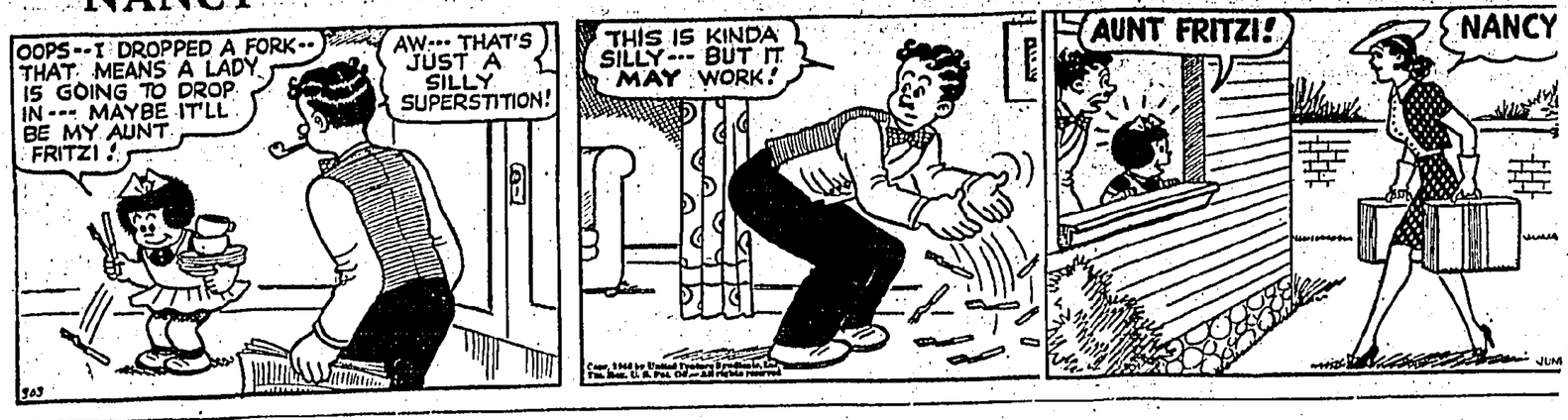


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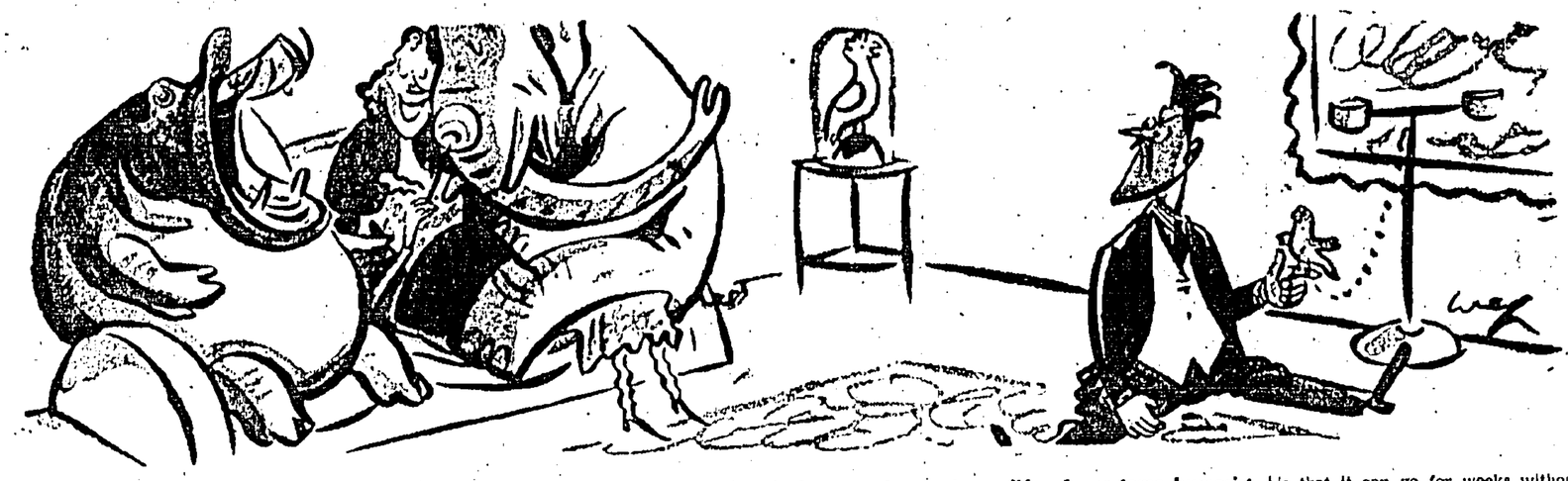
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OUR TAME HUMORIST: Pets and things in the home



A touching little scene in the home life of our tame humorist

A lot of people think dogs should not be kept in flats. That's what I call a moot point and a matter for discussion.

But if you must have pets in the home you have a large range to choose from.

GOLDFISH, for instance! They're ornamental, reasonably quiet, and they come in handy when there's nothing to eat in the house.

Many is the happy hour I've spent watching the goldfish slopping in their bowl. That's, of course, when I've been broke and had nothing to read and nowhere to go.

I don't approve of canaries. Either they're yelling all day or else kicking their seed all over the house. If they're not doing that they just sit on their perches and mope.

Talking parrots are all right for bachelors. The average married man doesn't need one.

An intelligent parrot or cockatoo can be a great solace to a lonely bachelor. By reading the paper out loud to him each day he will soon gain an insight into world affairs and then you can sit down and discuss things with him. He'll only repeat what was in the paper, but that's all anybody ever does.

I'm not so sure about cats. They're asleep all day and up all night, and if you want them to take any notice of you you've got to pour a couple of tins of sardines over yourself. This is ruinous to the clothing.

Still, they are fairly useful for developing baby's biceps. Let the child take a firm grip on the cat's tail, and with the cat pulling one way and the baby pulling against him the child will soon have muscles sticking out all over him.

It also strengthens the hind and forelegs of the cat.

Incidentally, Manx cats are not much use for this exercise.

Very soothing to have about the house are silkworms. To see them munching away at the mulberry leaves in the old cardboard boot-box and then knitting themselves jumpers and retiring from the public gaze is a very edifying and instructive sight.

If the silkworm can be trained to weave small d'oyleys for the dressing-table, so much the better.

One thing about silkworms is that they're not rowdy. In this respect they are equal, if not superior, to goldfish.

In Hollywood, they tell me, the film stars keep young alligators and lion cubs as pets. I have had no experience with alligators, but I have bred lions for the Kenya game preserve, and I have found them quite docile.

Lions are no good in flats. You need a fairly large backyard for them. It would be embarrassing for a flat-dweller to bring home a friend and find the lion stretched out on the settee with half a chewed bullock parked alongside the wireless cabinet.

Camels are pets which should be allowed plenty of room, although they can fold themselves up into a fairly neat heap when resting. If a camel can be taught to stay folded up, all is well. The trouble is that it's pretty monotonous for the camel.

One great feature about this animal from a wife's point of view is that it can go for weeks without a drink.

A great opportunity thus presents itself for the harassed wife to glare at her husband and say, "It's a pity you weren't more like Camella, the camel, you besotted bounder."

The husband could just look pointedly at the camel's hump and smirk openly. Thus the pet would serve both husband and wife. It would also come in handy when doing the shopping or for weekends.

We pass on now to snakes. Have you ever passed on to snakes? Isn't it awful? Anyhow, this time I mean real snakes.

Carpet snakes are the usual thing, but I don't recommend them. The housewife may be a little short-sighted and start running the vacuum-cleaner over the snake instead of the carpet. The snake would probably resent this.

The python is by far the best snake to keep as a companion. What, I ask you, is home without a python? Just a desert.

The python may be worn around the neck as a boa, and used when coming home to tie parcels together.

Pythons are very interesting and friendly and one can become wrapped up in them.

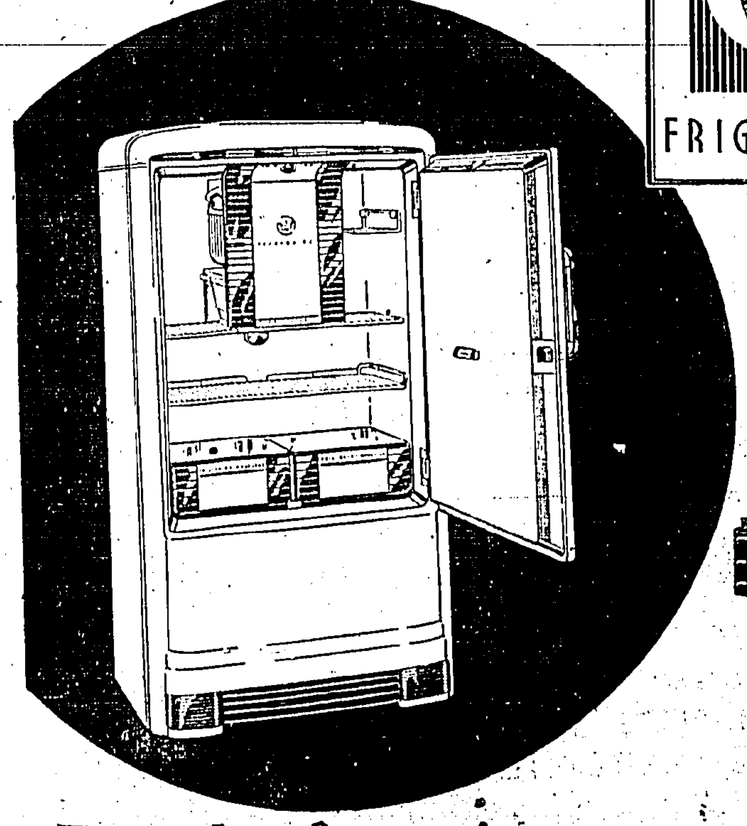
Lastly (there'll be relief for both of us any minute), lastly, I repeat, I feel that, contrary to my original intention, I must mention dogs.

If a dog becomes a nuisance, never chain him up. Nail him down!

And remember, girls, there is an old adage: "The man who is kind to animals is cruel to women."....

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Minister of War assured Napoleon III. that "there did not lack to the French Army one button on a soldier's gaiter."

The Third Empire was a luxurious and complacent capitalism that relied on a rigid censorship to mask unpalatable facts.

The war was undertaken as a direct result of German trickery in diplomacy, the Bismarckian policy of aggression and the Nietzschean philosophy of force.

The war was fought by a complacent clique of generals steeped in the tradition of the glories of the first Bonaparte, and ideas 60 years out of date.

The war was fought by generals so riveted to the Old School Tie tradition that no new ideas, advocated by imaginative civilians or soldiers not in the clique, could obtain consideration.

The war was lost in 6 weeks.

The decisive point of the war occurred at Sedan.

The French Armies allowed themselves to be enclosed in fortresses; notably Metz.

Paris fell—after a siege.

A provisional Government was created to negotiate peace.

The capital was shifted to Tours.

A National leader arose branding surrender as shameful: his name—General Leon Gambetta.

The German Army of Occupation settled down in France, with H. Q. at Versailles: proudest spot in Old France.

The terms imposed on France by Bismarck were regarded by the world as iniquitously severe.

1939-40

The French Army was assumed to be the finest fighting machine in the world and General Gamelin the finest strategist in France.

The Third Republic was a luxury-loving and complacent capitalism that relied on a rigid censorship to mask unpalatable facts.

The war was undertaken as a direct result of German trickery in diplomacy, the Hitlerian policy of aggression and the Nietzschean philosophy of force.

The war was fought by a complacent clique of generals steeped in the tradition of the glories of Marshal Foch—and ideas 20 years out of date.

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The war was lost in just under 6 weeks.

The decisive point of the war occurred at Sedan.

The French Armies allowed themselves to be enclosed in the Maginot Line: based largely on Metz.

Paris fell—without a siege.

A provisional Government was created to negotiate peace.

The capital was shifted to Tours.

A National leader arose branding surrender as shameful: his name—General Charles de Gaulle.

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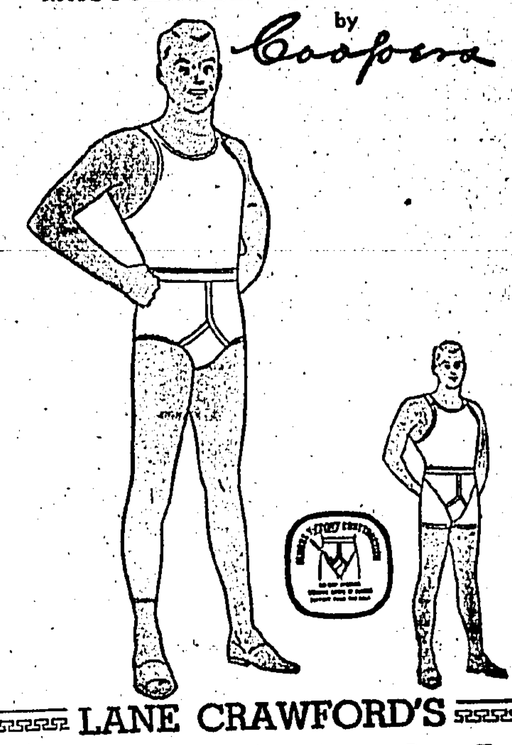
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"BOB" Cecil (Lord Cecil of Chelwood) said some years ago: "There is in Attlee a Campbell Bannerman. The questions are: Will he get responsibility, and if he does will it bring the vital qualities out?"

Attlee now has the responsibility, so the questions are bound to be answered. Arthur Henderson once said that Attlee had "large hidden reserves" and wondered if they would be used. So that, too, is about to be proved.

What manner of man is this who, at the age of 57, has suddenly gone into the War Cabinet at the most crucial point of his country's history?

He is medium-sized, bald, spectacled, a pipe-smoker with a manner of speech that matches that of his movements—quick, sharp, nervous. ..It is easy enough to describe his appearance, but not so easy to delve down into the man himself.

Because he is so shy, so reserved. Out of that reserve springs much of his strength, and the irony he uses in public speech is in some ways an expression of his reserve.

Many people think he is stand-offish, cold and unresponsive. Nothing could be farther from the truth. Actually, when you get to know him he is a very human being, full of warmth and understanding, but consciously or unconsciously (it is impossible to tell which) unwilling to let this side of him be seen.

To some extent this is reflected in his speeches. Neither in Parliament nor on the platform does he sweep his hearers off their feet and into a blaze of demonstrativeness. But he makes them listen and he makes them think.

To put a valuation on an Attlee speech it is well both to hear it and to read it, but if it is impossible to do both, then the full savour of it can better be had by the reading.

What he has to pay is close-knit, keenly argued and purposeful. He doesn't dramatise either himself or his subject. Now and then you sense the fire underneath but seldom, if ever, is is allowed to break out into open flame.

Part and parcel of all this is a tenacity which sometimes seems almost grim. It most often displays itself in a committee meeting. He never speaks there until he is sure, and then he digs himself in.

If you want another seemingly contradictory characteristic of this man who is intimately known by only a few of his many devoted) used to keep rabbits as pets one of the best turns they could do him was to "badger" him to knock up a new hutch.

His garden at Stanmore is a great solace and recreation. So is his library. But always his pipe must be with him. He sips an occasional glass of sherry, but his real "vice" is tobacco.

He has a keen and caustic wit, and often dashes off a devastating rhyme or limerick. He has been known to do it in the House of Commons—using men on the benches opposite him as his targets.

He is such an incurable "doodler" that even when he isn't scribbling he appears to be. A strange habit he has in the Commons is to hunch himself back on the bench, cross his legs, let his spectacles slide down to the tip of his nose and then go through all the motions but one of writing on his Order Paper. He isn't really writing. He is "doodling." He covers sheet after sheet with the most intricate patterns.

BRITAIN'S LEADERS—No. 4

friends, you will find it in his extreme sensitiveness. Here, again, he is often misunderstood, because many people mistake his sensitiveness for unapproachability.

His manner sometimes excuses that mistake. He seems "sharp" when he doesn't mean to be. He often ceases to talk because he wishes you to talk, and probably feels hurt if you don't.

Give him a hammer, a saw, some wood, a handful of nails and so on and he is perfectly happy (especially if his pipe is drawing well). He revels in a bit of carpentering, and when his three daughters (to whom he is

And all the time he is listening intently to what the other man is saying, although by the look of him he might not be hearing a word.

"Clem," as his friends call him, comes of a military family. His father and his grandfather were Tories and soldiers. He himself became a Major in the Great War, was at Gallipoli, in Mesopotamia and France, and won the D.S.O.

He was educated at Haileybury and University College, Oxford, was called to the Bar, went to work at Toynbee Hall and from there was drawn into local government affairs in the East End and got his first insight into poverty's social conditions.

Following this he was associated with the Webbs in their Poor Law work and then went to the Social Science Department of the School of Economics.

The year 1922 saw him in Parliament representing Limehouse, and in he 1924 Labour Government he was Under-Secretary to the War Office. In the 1929 Labour Government he was, first, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and, later, Postmaster-General.

He was one of the small band of Labour M.P.s who retained their seats in the 1931 election, and he then became Deputy Leader of the Labour Party, with George Lansbury as his Chief. It was in succession to "G.L." that he became Leader, and he has remained Leader ever since.

Now he is in the War Cabinet, and the testing time has come for him as for many other people. It will be interesting to watch the working out of this shy, reserved, soldier Socialist. His greatest quality not one of his foes would deny him. The high standard of his integrity has never been successfully challenged and never will be.



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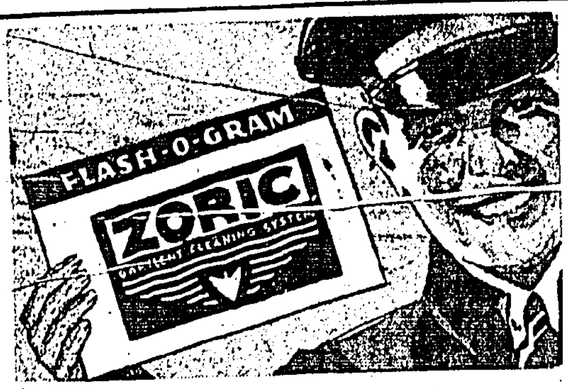


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SCRUTINEER

I CONFESS I used to listen with a certain amount of trepidation to the German brondcasts, since I was still innocent enough to believe in what a government-sponsored department would issue. Now I can quite calmly hear and read what Germany has to say without turning a hair.

For instance the other night the German announcer in very slow deliberate tones gave the news of the torpedoing of an 18,000-ton British liner. He read his piece out in such a way as to make one's flesh creep or would have made one's flesh creep, before the germ of disbelief had thoroughly inoculated the listener.

It turned out to be the French steamer "Meknes" that was returning home with Frenchmen who desired to go back to France. The liner was fully lighted and displayed the neutral French flag. It was a perfect target and the German submarine, or, whatever it was, took full advantage of it.

That, however, was a comparatively truthful statement compared with some that have recently been made.

ONLY yesterday the Germans gave out that when the children, who were being evacuated from England were leaving Liverpool, the mothers, who were being forcibly deprived of their offspring, created such a disturbance that the police had to use considerable force to drive them away. In fact a riot occurred. In a previous broadcast we were told that only the plutocrats were sending their children to a place of safety and the poorer parents were not allowed to, or, could not afford to do so.

Well, what are the facts? Let us examine them. In the first place evacuation of children is voluntary. Why mothers should agree to send their children abroad, and then create a riot about it is hard to understand. What I do know is that many children have been invited to go, the children, for example, of the dons of Oxford are offered hospitality by the dons and their wives of the University of Toronto. They prefer however to stay where they are. To give some idea of the spirit of the country, I myself telegraphed recently to my own family and said 'go to Canada if worried'. Back came the reply immediately 'not worried'.

A young fellow out here was also worried about his father in England. After examining his pass book he came to the conclusion he could afford to bring him out to China, so he telegraphed: "Go to Shanghai at my expense". The reply was prompt: "Go to hell at mine".

That is the spirit of Britain now, for these air mail letters and telegrams do not refer to the condition in England a month or two ago, but are quite recent. Those who speak of the effectiveness of German propaganda methods are surely repeating some German comments on German propaganda. It largely consists of malignant attacks on the Prime Minister, Mr. Winston Churchill, the violence of which is a measure of German fear.

He is evidently the prince of plutocrats, but everyone knows that he is not a man of wealth. He certainly was highly paid for his books and articles. It is even estimated that at one time he was the highest paid of all writers, making £15,000 a year, but he always spent freely. These earnings are but a fraction of what Hitler made out of "Mein Kampf", which every good Nazi is compelled to buy. Whereas the books of Winston Churchill have spread light and learning, are exceedingly well written and have given immense pleasure to the world, "Mein Kampf" has spread a false doctrine, poisoned the minds of millions, and laid waste many countries which are superior to Germany in their culture.

OTHER plutocrats in England have to hand back thirty-seven fortieths of their income and many of them are clamouring for heavier taxation.

To say that Britain is governed by plutocrats is manifestly a lie, seeing that labour representatives such as Major Attlee, Arthur Greenwood, Ernest Bevin, A. V. Alexander hold the most important Government posts after that of the Prime Minister. It is they in association with the other parties who are guilding the nation and carrying the masses with them.

Colonel Lindberg has addressing 50,000 isolationists in Chicago. There are fifteen million citizens of German descent in the United States and they mostly congregate round Chicago, so an audience of 50,000, not Nazis of course, but isolationists is not out of the way. There must be such a number who do not wish to see America fighting against their homeland, but that is a very different thing from being in sympathy with Nazi policy. They feel that Nazi Germany is not the true Germany, but is a passing phase, a thoroughly unpleasant one it is true. Their view is that Germany has taken the wrong turning.

LINDBERGH who has been labelled fifth columnist has been extremely unpopular ever since he accepted the flattering attention of Hitler and Goering who sealed their affection for him by giving him a special Nazi medal.

When I was in the U.S.A. in 1938, an air line which was called after him, had to change its name because it lost so many patrons. It is not difficult to understand the mentality of this young man however. He suffered a tragic blow, when his little son was kidnapped and brutally murdered by a man named Hauptmann, a gangster of German extraction. He saw in Hauptmann the German, lawlessness and crime, and in Germany he saw that such individuals were restrained by the most severe discipline. He saw in Germany a nation that was obedient, docile and law-abiding.

The great crimes in the concentration camps were not crimes because they were in accordance with Nazi law. For the United States he wants the same discipline and central control. It is quite natural that he should approve of German methods, German efficiency and rigid discipline imposed by the central authority. The United States however believes in creating individuals who can discipline themselves. The task is hard, of course, for those Germans reared in an atmosphere of repression, who find themselves in the United States with a liberty which they do not know how to use.

THE arrest of the Englishmen in Japan and the arrest of Japanese in England though related in point of time was not related in point of fact. The police at home, out of regard for Anglo-Japanese good relations, delayed the arrests but when the Japanese showed that such feelings were not reciprocated there was no point in putting off the matter any longer. The whole movement in Japan has been worked up by the Nazi agents who are allowed free scope within the country in spite of the fact that Germany has so signally failed to restrain the growing power of Japan's traditional and prospective enemy Russia. The Japanese signed with Germany a pact for that specific object, but when it suited Germany's purpose not only to break it, but even to sign a pact herself with Russia, Japan's cup of bitterness and disappointment for a time was full.

The power of Russia has driven Japan south just in precisely the same way as Germany's power in Europe has driven Italy south. The French government in Vichy in obedience to Germany sent out a governor to Indo China to replace the one who was not in sympathy with the "New Order" in France. It was hoped that the new arrangement would not only please Hitler but would guarantee the integrity of the Colony.

BUT this apparently is not the case. Germany has apparently given Japan a free hand and the French now feel they have been conciliatory in vain. The failure of the Petain government in this matter has apparently endangered its existence for it is rumoured that it will give way to another. It may yet be that the French colonies will have to look after their own interests independently of and in defiance of the Nazi-sponsored government at Vichy.

If the government of Indo-China resists the Japanese will have their hands full; since the Chinese armies would be at liberty to invade the province and so extend the war over a wider area.

The task of conquering China is still not within measurable distance of completion and must continue to be a drain on Japanese resources, already much depleted for many years to come. The policy of the Japanese is encouraged by Germany and Italy who have done nothing to assist Japan but are determined that Japan should assist them. The attitude of the United States on this question is still a matter of speculation.

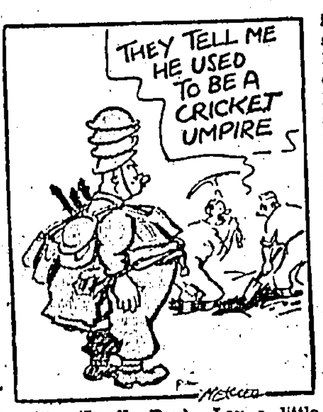
THE collapse of the Peak Road owing to the heavy rains has had the effect of putting the clock back. Before the road was constructed the ordinary peak resident found no trouble in getting to the Peak Tram by chair, rickshaw, or more frequently by his own power and on wet days there were plenty of chairs at the bottom. The Peak Tram was a social centre which brought the family together. The Governor sat in the front row and others had their favourite seat. The motor road broke up these pleasant gatherings for the one-man car became the order of the day. The motor car is obviously a luxury for most people but the excuse is that it saves minutes, though it loses contacts.

One wonders if it would not be a good thing to ration petrol in the Colony as at home and in Australia. The reduction of the amount consumed would obviously lessen the need for tonnage and increase the amount for sale elsewhere, that is where it is most wanted, and would probably improve the health of a good many, whose chief exercise consists in getting in and out of a car.

...and Mr. PEPYS

2nd. August.—To the Clubbe this evening where there is still much talk of the evacuation, but of it I am in no mind to speak too plain for between the vapourings of tiresome women and statements of administration it is hard to draw a balance. But when I doe remember the stories of the Belgians who did walk into France pushing their all before them upon a hand-cart, and later the French moving South in like manner, I am minded that war hath greater tragedies. Yet I doubt not they suffered much and I doe pray for them a peaceful sojourn in Australia.

3rd.—Up very betimes and to the office with my he-child in his motor coach. And I did marvel that by the houses of the Custodes Rotulorum the barred off half of the road was not yet mended and I was in doubt if the Work office were minded to use the pits for the growing of asparagus. But I now learn that they had known of a danger for some time that the road may subside and try to prop it but can find no sure foundation. Creed tells me that thereunder was a dump made many years ago when the Customs Houses were built and that in consequence of the over heavy rains this begins to move. So at the Clubbe where I take my nuncheon I learn there is a subsidence and the road is blocked. And this is mighty ill newes for all owners of motor-coaches who are caught with their vehicles below the break. Before I heard this I did goe in to Mr. Caldbeck's office and drank a glasse of Hollands waters but Mistress Swift was not there but only her Lord, Mr. Knife and Major O'Trigger. And Lord! the babble of gunnery was such that I was at a stonde to follow the conversation and so did sit down close beside the bottle of Hollands and give myselfe up to meditation. After my nuncheon back to my office where I order some of my papers which doe multiply daily, and write to my wife, poor wretch, who I fear is as lonely as I am save that by now the children are returned. And I trust that Providence may protect them from all dangers of war for it seems even where she is the Hun drops a few bombs.



4th. (Lord's Day).—Lay a little late but it is my turn for Sunday duty in the office so I must needs to the Tramme where for once I take a return bille with the sure knowledge that I shall use the return half. For twice before I have done this and then returned by motor hackney. To the Clubbe at a half after twelve but to my surprise Mr. John is not in his wonted seat. Took a glasse or two of Hollands with Mr. Povey and others. It seems that the road will bee a long business, though it may happen a temporary bridge can bee erected. Back to my house where I doe eat a late nuncheon of a neat's tongue, cold with fried batatas and afterwards rest. Later comes a message my he-child spends the night at Shek-O so I spend the evening alone with a book and Ba who is a good companion. Hee is still mighty lame in his hind-leg but it seems to hurt him not and hee is in the wildest spirits lying upon his back and destroying the fringes of the chair-covers madly. Thereafter hee settles down upon my stomach and slumbers soundly until I doe get mee to bed.

5th.—This day is holyday but Lord! What use are such to mee save that I may lie a little later in the morning. At the Clubbe I learn Mr. John is in Hospitall with an affection of the sciatic nerve for which I am sorry. Much talk at the Clubbe of the evacuations and such but all the issues are so tangled that nothing sure emerges. Back to my office where, seeing it be holyday, I doe sleep in my arm-chair for an hour and then back to my papers until it bee time to visit Mr. John whom I find somewhat melancholique and wee did talk a space. He tells mee to my great surprise that Mr. Eddy the Purser, is also in the Hospitall so I later converse with him. Home to dinner and so to bed.

6th.—This day comes a letter from my wife for which I do return thanks, though it seems shee is not in good health and this puts mee in a maze for it seems there is little I can doe. For I had been minded to try to bring my family to Sydney where soon it seems there will be a many Hongkong folk of our acquaintance. But if shee bee sick it may not bee. But Lord! What evil and troublous days wo live in. Here, our new Acting Governor, Lieut. General Norton lands this morning but with less ceremony than I ever doe recall in these last twenty years at all events, and His Excellency at once takes the oaths.

7th.—A showery day with very heavy rain late in the evening when I doe visit Mr. John. Home betimes, dined and so to bed.

8th.—This day dawns more fair and I doe trust that the weather may change. For without a dry spell I know not how the road may bee repaired, and this is of vital importance. Reading in the newes sheets the situation seems somewhat easier, whyle in the correspondence I doe perceive the growse be lifted from evacuation to A.R.P. pay. And it is as I suppose a good safety valve, though, it may bee, with a paper shortage threatening, somewhat extravagant in that commodity. This day I did see an old friend of mine, who hath had his car upon the Peak these many years, ran mighty fast and catch the Tramme as it starts. And I doubt not in time wee shall all become less heavy and more agile. Dined quietly at home and so to bed.

Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

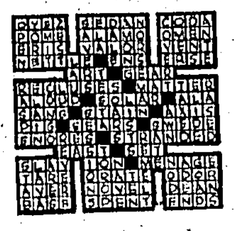
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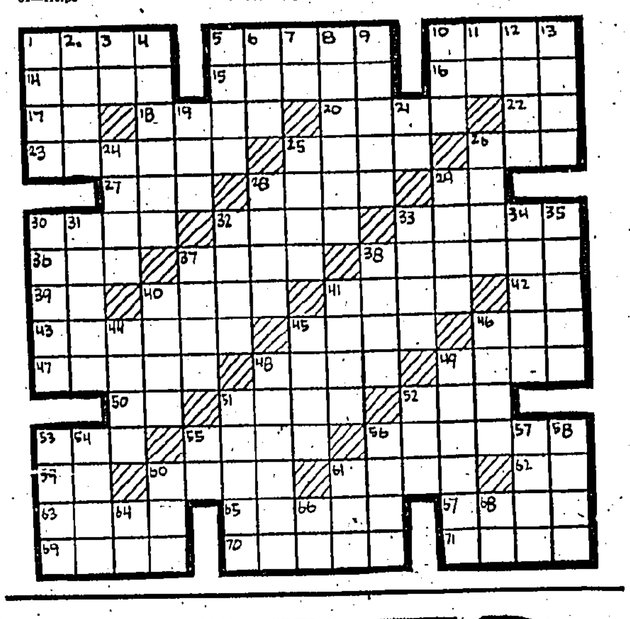
1—Astringent salt
6—Abject creature
10—Part of molecule
14—Solitary
15—Despised
16—Worship
17—In any case
18—Bound
20—Religious image
22—Prefix: into
23—Aquatic mammals
25—Secret society
26—Finish
27—Exist
28—Pastries
29—Pennsylvania
30—Animal skins
32—Part of forelimb
34—Relentless
36—Mingle
37—Hear
38—Means of guidance
39—Forward
40—Sleep lightly
41—Dismantled
42—River in Italy
43—Solemn prayer
45—Drama
46—Cushion
47—Moist and sticky mud
48—Shelled sea animal
49—Wan
50—First person singular
51—Native of Asiatic country
52—Forbid
53—Owing and demandable
55—Verily
56—Mental views
58—One
60—In middle of
61—Helps
62—Live as
63—Arrest
66—Discolor by burning
67—Member of Churchill's war cabinet
68—Tubs
70—Remained upright
71—Exchanged for money

DOWN

1—In addition
2—Stolen goods
3—One (French)
4—Metric yards
5—Females
6—Youth
7—Near
8—Provided with face covering
9—Pertaining to literature of Iceland
10—Entire
11—In order to
12—Chamber for baking
13—Pit
19—Wrath
21—Upon
24—Net weight
26—Abrupt bend
28—English nobleman
29—Step
30—Gigs
31—Young of horse (pl.)
33—Unto time of
34—Obscure
35—Very little
44—Leaf of calyx
45—Wear away
47—On
48—Collection of players
50—Mature woman
51—Flat piece
54—Fourth dimension
55—Chart
56—Separate
58—Accept as true
59—Goes by
61—Gone wrong
62—Offer
63—Klan
64—Until
65—Morning (abbr.)
66—Strove to win
67—Adam's son
68—Transmit
69—Anthropoid
71—In the past
64—Hone
66—Nay
68—Perform

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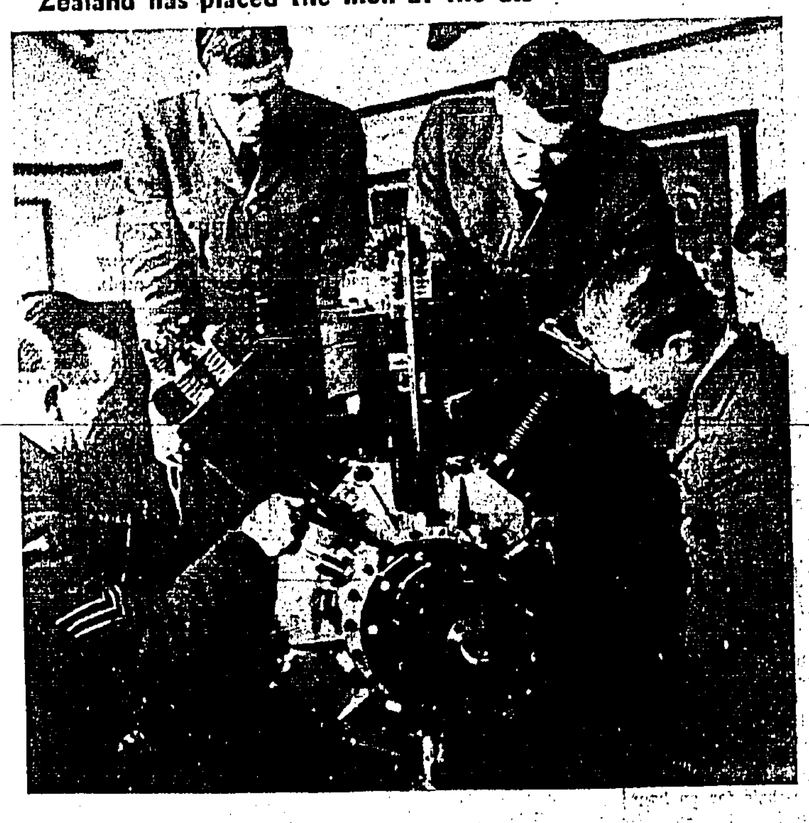






NEW ZEALAND ANTI-TANK UNIT RAISED IN ENGLAND

While an army of Empire soldiers the Second Australian Imperial Force and the New Zealand Expeditionary Force took up posts in the Middle East and in Britain, a unit of New Zealanders was training vigorously "somewhere in England" Britain's own 'Anzacs' form the first and only Dominion unit to be raised in Britain. The High Commissioner of New Zealand has placed the men at the disposal of the United Kingdom authorities, on the understanding that they should later on be released to join up with the main New Zealand forces. The unit is an anti-tank battery, consisting of 140 officers and men selected from about 500 New Zealanders who had volunteered. The majority of them have been in business in England for some time. LEFT: They march in the new formation of threes. The men have quickly been moulded into a fine body of soldiers. CENTRE: Alertness and quickness of reaction are the main qualities required in their work. The tremandous importance of anti-tank guns has been confirmed by the latest development in the war. RIGHT: Messengers on Motorcycles form part of the unit. They, too, wear the New Zealanders' "Bill Massey" hats. The hats, incidentally are named after a former New Zealand Premier.









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At the end of this course, they are posted direct to a Service Squadron as finished pilot ready to meet the enemy.

1: Pupils doubling to their aircraft to take off. From left to right they are Acting Pilot Officers Cherrington (from South Africa); Dunne (Canada); McMichael (Shanghai); Tracey (New Zealand) and Green (Canada).

2: PRACTICAL INSTRUCTION IN ENGINES —on the left the engines instructor.

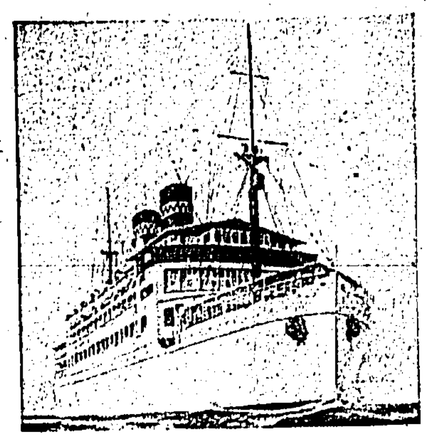
3: A group of pupils under training; they are from left to right, Acting Pilot Officers Goodman (South Africa); Tracey (New Zealand); Ritchie (England); McMichael (Shanghai); Green (Canada) and Nowland (Australia).

4: AT THE MACHINE GUN.—Acting Pilot Officer B. T. J. Nowland who comes from Adelaide, South Sedition Memorial College.

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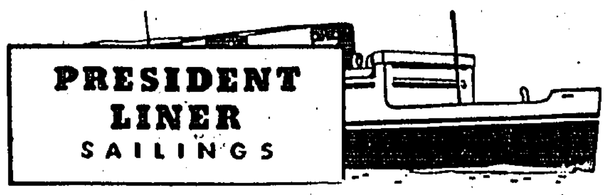
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SEVEN rules to learn and carry out efficiently if the Germans invade Britain are given in an official circular to be distributed to civilians.

It is emphasised that if Germany's invasion threat is put into effect they will be driven out by the Navy, Army and Air Force, but the ordinary civilian can do much to help.

Stay Put

This is Instruction No. 1.

When Holland and Belgium were invaded refugees crowded the roads, preventing troops from advancing to their defence. If the officer commanding decides that the place where you live must be evacuated he will tell you when and how to leave.

Until then, stay where you are.

Ignore Rumours

To create panic the Germans spread rumours among civilians and issue false instructions. When you receive an order, therefore, make sure it is genuine; most of you know your local policemen and A.R.P. warden.

Keep Watch, Keep Calm

If you see anything suspicious, note it carefully, and inform your nearest police station or military officer.

Don't rush to tell your neighbour; give the **facts** to the authorities.

Passive Resistance

Don't tell a German anything; hide your food, bicycles, maps; make your car or motor-cycle useless. If you are a garage owner you must evolve a plan to protect your petrol and customers' cars.

Help the Military

Be prepared to assist Service officers. You may, for example be ordered to block roads to hold up an enemy advance.

But don't go blocking roads until told which, you may impede our own troops.

Organise Defence

If you are in charge of a factory, store or other works, organise its defence at once. If you are a worker, make sure that you understand the system and know your part. Parachutists and Fifth Columnists are powerless against organised resistance.

Think First

Your courage is your best defence, but think before you act and think of your country before yourself.

The Post Office will begin distribution of 14,150,000 copies of the leaflet this morning.

Man Who Lost A Fortune Sues Son

A DISPUTE between Mr. Arthur Sainsbury and his son, Mr. James Arthur Sainsbury, about the ownership of 3,000 £1 ordinary shares in J. Sainsbury, Ltd., was the subject of an action before Mr. Justice Tucker in the King's Bench Division.

Mr. Arthur Sainsbury, of Wellington Court, Knightsbridge, S.W., claimed a declarntion that the shares were held as trustee by his son, whose address was given as Fountain House, Park-lane, W.

Cross-examined by Mr. G. O. Slade (for the son). Mr. Arthur Sainsbury said that when he retired in 1929 he received £262,000 for his shares in J. Sainsbury Limited.

Mr. Slade: Would it be right to say that you had dissipated a fortune in speculation on the Stock Exchange and horse racing?—The latter, no; the former, yes: but not to the extent of £262,000.

At this stage there was a consultation between the parties, and Mr. Slade said: "The parties have come to terms, the machinery of which will have to be worked out."

The hearing was adjourned.

ALIEN FINED

For using his motor-car contrary to the Aliens Order, Charles Senter, a Swiss subject, of St. Winifred-road, Folkestone, was fined £1 at Folkestone.

When seen by a police officer the previous night driving his car, he said: "I am not aware of the order."

Senter told the magistrate that he was shopping.

Senter was also fined 10s. each in three cases for having failed to report to the police on three different days.

Saccharine Again Used To Save Sugar

Saccharine became, in the last war, an extensive substitute for sugar in tea and coffee.

It has not yet been called on to play the same part in this war, but saccharine manufacturers have already begun to come to sugar's relief to save shipping space.

The field over which saccharine can replace sugar is limited. It is a sweetener; but it is not, like sugar, a source of energy. It can take the place of energy. It can take the place of sugar in tea, but not in jam puddings, cakes and the many other ways in which people normally take their sugar.

It could replace only a fairly small part of the 2,000,000 tons or so of sugar which Britain normally eats in a year.

Two Factories

The plant for manufacturing saccharine is limited, too.

There are two manufacturing plants in the country, both working through a single sales organisation. But they are capable of producing all the saccharine which the country is likely to require.

In peace time, saccharine is largely used for sweetening mineral waters and fruit drinks. Some manufacturers preferred sugar because it puts more "body" into the drink; they have now had to revert to saccharine.

This has substantially increased the demand, which in peace is about 75,000lbs. a year.

The price of saccharine has risen from 49s. 6d. per lb. to 98s. 4d. since the war began, not so much because of the extra demand, as because of the high duty levied on it.

Being 550 times sweeter than sugar, weight for weight, it is far more heavily taxed. The duty has gone up from 30s. to 83s. 4d. per lb.

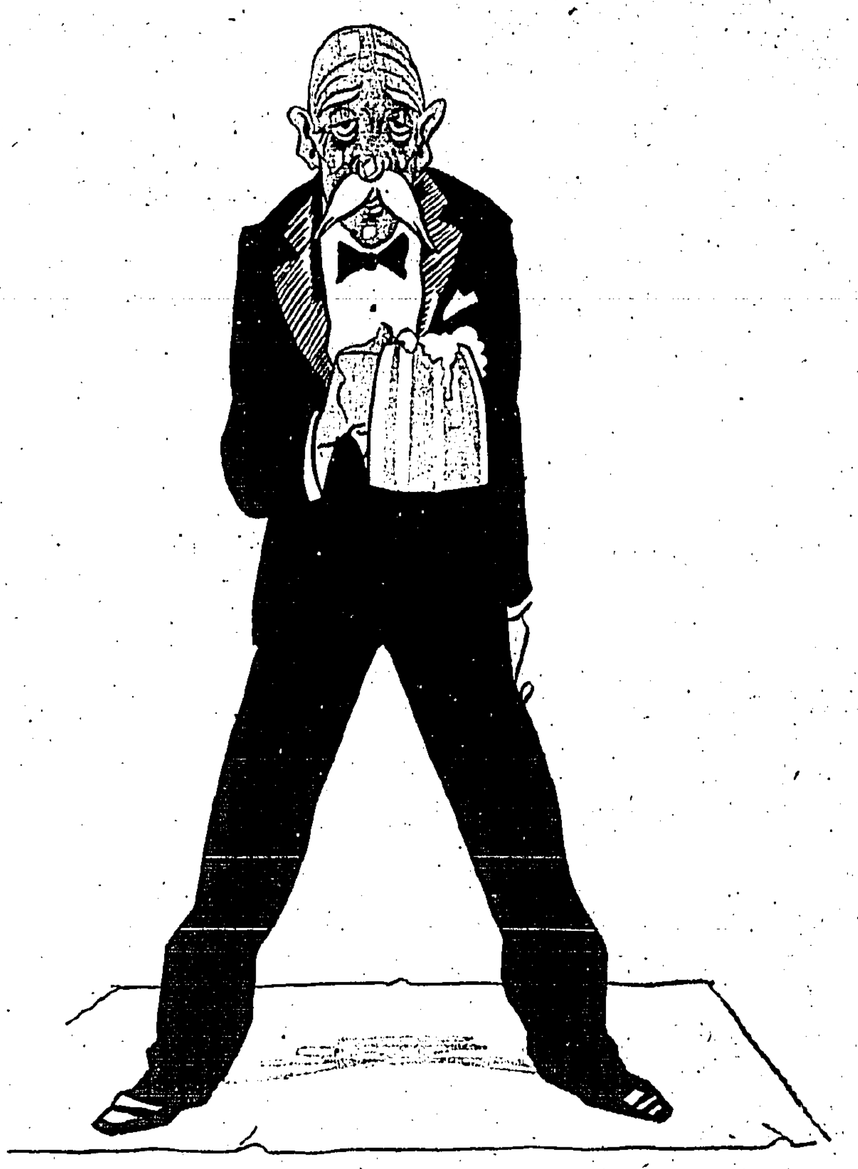
Exports Stopped

A few weeks ago large quantities of saccharine were being exported to India and China, but that export has now stopped. Overseas trade is strictly controlled by the British Saccharine Sales Company in collaboration with the Government.

A leading saccharine manufacturer said:

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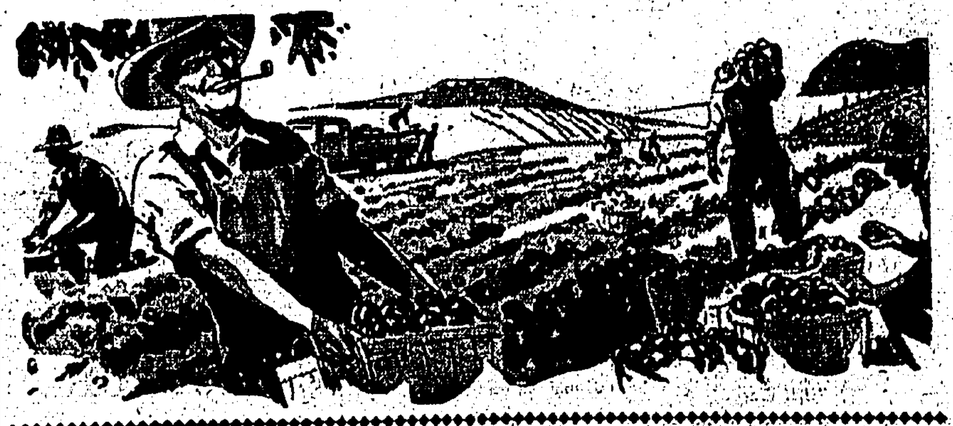
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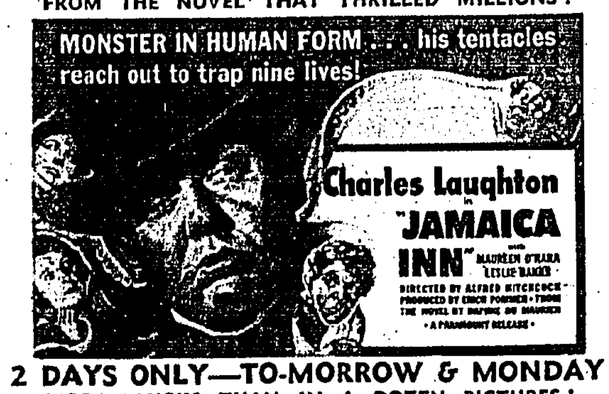
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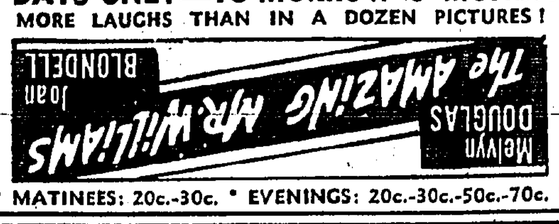
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Repercussions Felt From Indo-China Situation

As a result of the state of emergency in French Indo-China, very little cargo is moving from Hongkong, shipping circles said yesterday. There is no speculative buying at present in the shipping market.

It appears, they said, that every precaution is being taken to comply with the Japanese demands regarding the Burma Road. An American motor firm with a large number of motor trucks in Hongkong for Rangoon is unable to secure a permit for their shipment, and export of other goods is being stopped under the licence system.

The shipment of rice between Bangkok and Hongkong has fallen off, the price having dropped from $1.50 to $1.40 per picul. Ships are consequently arriving at Hongkong only half loaded.

It is apparent that there are substantial stocks of rice and coal in the Colony.

MAIDENS' FESTIVAL

Chinese Girls Celebrate Beautiful Legend

In most non-Christian Chinese households in Hongkong where there are unmarried daughters in the family, the feast of the Maidens' Festival will be celebrated to-day, the seventh day of the seventh moon in the Lunar Calendar.

This festival has its origin in the beautiful legend of bygone days in China—the romance of a Daughter of Heaven who fell in love with a cowherd. The legend states that after the cow-boy and the Daughter of Heaven were wed, the lad gradually neglected his work because of his infatuation for his wife, while his spouse neglected her weaving. They incurred the anger of the girl's father, the Ruler of Heaven, and he decided that the couple must be separated.

However, he permitted the couple to meet once a year, on the seventh day of the seventh moon. This festival has been observed for centuries, although it has lost much of its former splendour with the introduction of modernism into China.

To-day fruit stalls and joss paper shops are expected to do good business as the occasion demands the burning by the Chinese worshippers of paper articles as offering to the Gods and Goddesses.

FIRING PRACTICES

It is notified that firing practices will be carried out from to-morrow, as follows:

1. Light Gun Firing Practice will be carried out between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. on August 11. Firing Area "A" will be affected.
2. Firing Practice will be carried out between the hours of 10 a.m. and 10 p.m. on August 12. Firing Areas "C", "D" and "E" and an area of a 1,000 yards circle of which Makong Island will be the centre, will be affected.
3. Firing Practice will be carried out between the hours of 9 a.m. and 12 midnight on August 13. Firing Areas as in paragraph 2 affected.
4. Firing Practice will be carried out between the hours of 9 a.m. and 10 p.m. on August 14. Firing Areas as in paragraph 2 affected.
5. Firing Practice will be carried out between the hours of 10 a.m. and 12 midnight on August 15. Firing Areas "A", "B", "C", "D", and "E" will be affected.
6. Firing Practice will be carried out between the hours of 9 a.m. and 12 midnight on August 16. Firing Areas "A", "B", "C", "D", and "E" will be affected.
7. Firing Practice will be carried out between the hours of 10 a.m. and 12 midnight on August 17. Firing Areas "B" and "C" will be affected.

JAPANESE MOVES

Indo-China Tension Grows Acute

Shanghai, Aug. 9.

The situation in Indo-China is hourly becoming more tense. Increased activity by Japanese naval units and troopships in South China waters gives rise to the belief that Japanese forces are geared ready for a possible move southwards.

It is known here that during the past few days the movements of Japanese vessels between Formosa and Hainan have been intensified. Travellers report unusually large naval concentrations in both places, particularly in Hainan, comprising several cruisers, aircraft carriers and a considerable number of destroyers and transports.

It si believed that many Japanese troops have been transferred from South China to Hainan.

Reports from Chungking to-day state that information has been received that the authorities in Indo-China are rushing defence preparations and that big movements of Annamite and Tonkinese troops are taking place.

The French reply to suggestions reported to have been sent to the Governor-General by the Japanese Inspector-General in Indo-China is awaited. It is widely believed the Japanese are pressing for the establishment of military, naval and air bases in Indo-China and the passage of troops in order to attack China from that quarter, with Kunming as the objective.

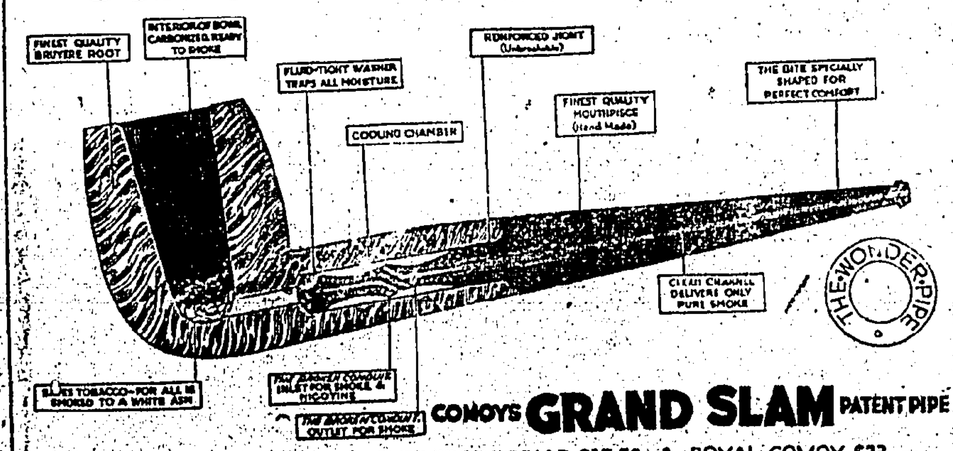
The Chinese Press to-day published alarming reports of the situation, stating that 20 Japanese warships were concentrated in the Gulf of Tonkin and that a big naval force was steaming from Formosa towards Indo-China, but these reports are without official confirmation.

A United Press report from Chungking quoting a Chinese military spokesman as saying that movements of Tonkinese and Annamite troops on the Indo-China-Kwangsi border indicate that the French are preparing to resist forcibly any possible invasion by the Japanese.

Transports Sighted

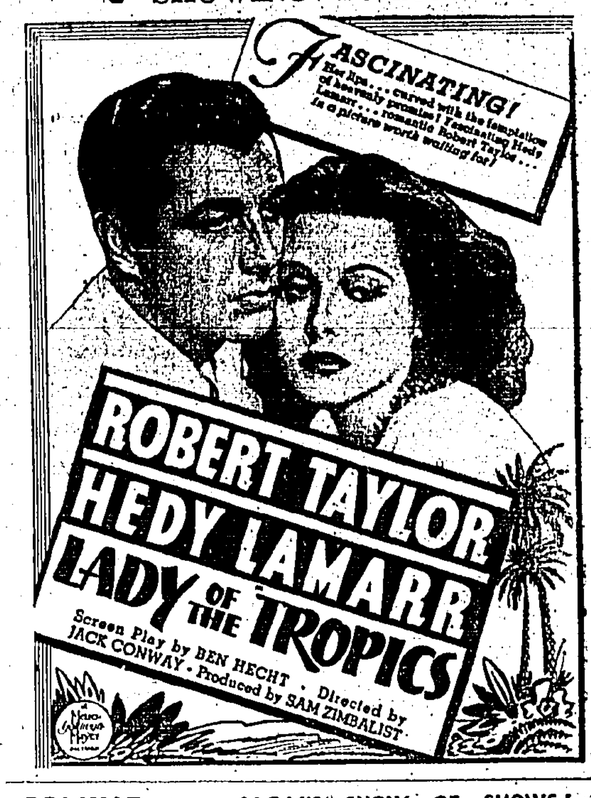
Chinese reports here say that about 20 Japanese transports, escorted by warships were sighted near Hongkong on Thursday sailing in a south-east direction. They were seen by Chinese junks heading for Chinese waters. On seeing the warships the junks immediately returned to British waters.

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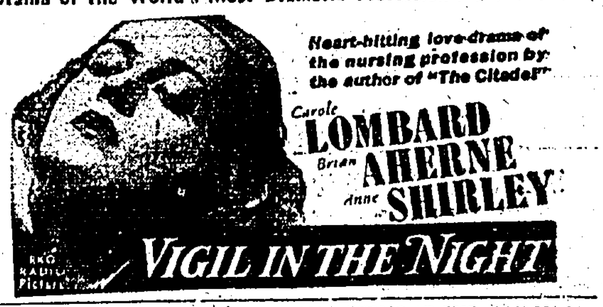
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